

# Progress Marks Report

NASHVILLE — In its annual meeting here Jan. 29-30, the elected members of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention:

Heard the report of a newly-created position in its Office of Denominational Relations — Sunday School Board Representative. J. P. Edmunds, secretary of the Research and Statistics Department, was named to that position.

Elected Martin B. Bradley, research supervisor of that department to succeed Edmunds, and elected Alvis Strickland, Broadman Press Public Relations Representative as manager of the Board's wholesale sale department.

Received the Sunday School Board's annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention. he report covers only nine months since the board has changed its fiscal year to end Sept. 30.

Appointed the committee on committees to meet and name board committees following the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City, Mo., in May. James B. Leavell, pastor, First

Church, San Angelo, Tex., chairman; G. David McClure, M. D., Louisville; John E. Barnes, pastor, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Robert L. Deneen, pastor, Park Street Church, Columbia, S. C.; Gaye L. McGlothlen, Immanuel Church, Nashville.

Heard 1962 reports and plans for 1963 in areas of the board's 19 programs of work.

Heard progress report on the construction of Thunderbird Plaza at Glorieta Assembly.

Work was started in Sept., 1962, on seven units of the motel-type buildings. These seven units will contain 76 rooms with private baths and will be ready for the 1963 season.

**Pritchell Torn Down**  
Heard that at Ridgecrest Assembly, the old Pritchell Hall building has been torn down, and a new building is under construction. It is scheduled to be completed for the 1964

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## CAREY CAMPAIGN IS SET AT \$700,000

The Board of Trustees of William Carey College, meeting in Hattiesburg last Wednesday, approved plans for a capital funds campaign to raise \$700,000.

Bruce C. Aultman, of Hattiesburg Chairman of the board, who will direct the drive, announced that an intensive campaign would begin very soon to secure a minimum of \$700,000 from the Hattiesburg friends of the college and Baptist supporters in Mississippi.

"This will be a vital part of expansion and improvement to better serve the educational needs of our City and State," said Mr. Aultman. The funds will be used for the construction of an urgently needed Auditorium-Fine Arts Center, and to provide additional funds for Scholarship Endowment.

**Major Building Each Year**  
Each year since 1957, a major building has been added to the growing Carey campus, with a new women's dormitory

to house 152 students now under construction. This same period has seen the enrollment at William Carey grow from 277 in 1956-57 to 656 for the current school year—an increase of over 100%.

The action of the Board of Trustees, according to Mr. Aultman, grew out of Mississippi Baptist Convention designating 1963 as a year for special fund-raising for William Carey College. Plans for this campaign to secure at least \$700,000 in pledges and gifts during an intensive three to four-month program were outlined to the Trustees on Wednesday.

President of the College, J. Ralph Noonkester, expressed a highly pro-optimistic note for the success of this immediate program. "The people of the Hattiesburg area and our Baptists friends in all of Mississippi have taken William Carey as their own College. I feel sure they will support this program to the fullest," said Dr. Noonkester.

"We are now in construction on a new girls' dormitory and this will enable us to take care of 152 more students in September. The Auditorium-Fine Arts Building we are planning to build with funds specifically from the projected campaign, and the additional scholarships we will be able to offer, are a must for us to continue to serve better our calling to provide quality Christian higher education for the young men and women of our area and state," Dr. Noonkester added.

**Fully Accredited**  
William Carey, an independent church-related liberal arts college, is owned by the Mississippi Baptist Convention and fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. It has experienced phenomenal growth during the past six years through the extension of its curriculum and the construction of six new buildings on the 64-acre campus in Hattiesburg.

In addition to Mr. Aultman, members of the Board of Trustees include: Wheeler Bryant, Hattiesburg; Walter Clinton, Petal; Mrs. W. W. Crawford, Hattiesburg; Dr. Earl Green, Hattiesburg; Purser Hewitt, Jackson; Mrs. Roland Q. Leavell.

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ARCHITECT'S VIEW of the proposed new Thunderbird Plaza to be constructed at Glorieta Baptist Assembly at Glorieta, N. M. The assembly, as well as the Ridgecrest N. C., assembly is operated by the Sunday School Board.

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PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS LEFT OUT-

## Huge Education Bill Asked

### Annuity Report In New High

DALLAS, Tex. (BP) — More than \$3,091,000 was paid to 5,792 Baptist ministers, church and denominational employees or their widows in 1962 by the Southern Baptist Annuity Board through its retirement program.

R. Alton Reed, executive secretary of the board, highlighted this figure in his report to the trustees attending the 45th annual meeting here.

Reed said this figure increased the total benefits paid by the board since its beginning in 1918 to more than \$40,396,000.

The trustees, 18 from Dallas and Fort Worth, plus 37 from 23 state conventions in the Southern Baptist Convention, heard Reed call 1962 "the most successful year in the board's history in every respect."

**Quarles Attended**  
Executive secretaries from Arkansas, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Illinois, Louisiana, South Carolina, Texas, Michigan, Mississippi also attended.

In his report that was approved by the board, Reed pointed out that some 5,535 new certificates were issued in 1962, 2,243 of these being the Southern Baptist Protection Plan. This was the largest number of new members ever to join the protection program in any one year in the board's history.

Reed credited the waiving of the delayed participation penalty last year for helping to set this record.

He said funds held in trust for future payment to more than 25,000 Baptist ministers or (Continued on page 2)



Dr. Forrest Hawkins

### Institute Set At Hospital

The third annual Institute of Pastoral Care for the ill will be held at Mississippi Baptist Hospital Feb. 19.

While sponsored by the hospital and the Hinds County Baptist Association, pastors and other interested leaders from all over the state have been invited to attend.

"Anxiety and Faith" will be the theme for the Institute to be held in the Student Nurses' Chapel.

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## 3 BAPTIST LEADERS CLAIMED BY DEATH

AHOSKIE, N. C. (BP) — Douglas M. Branch, 54, general secretary of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, was killed in a car-truck crash near here Feb. 1.

A truck stalled in the highway directly in front of Branch's car. He could not avoid the collision.

The North Carolina Baptist leader had spoken earlier in the day at Chowan College (Baptist) at Murfreesboro, N. C. He was on his way to hunt turkeys in the northeast part of the state and was clad in hunting clothes when the wreck occurred.

He was evidently killed instantly from a broken neck. Survivors include his wife

WASHINGTON (BP) — Sixteen of the 24 programs proposed by President Kennedy to aid education in the nation include both public and private schools. However, a major program, elementary and secondary school construction and teacher salary increases, is confined to the public schools.

Most of the proposed aids to private schools are expansions of existing programs passed by earlier congresses and previous administrations, and an extension of aid to higher education. The president's position is that across-the-board aid to church-related elementary and secondary schools is unconstitutional, but that special purpose aids to these schools and aid to all colleges is constitutional.

Senator Wayne Morse (D., Ore.), chairman of the Education Committee of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee, introduced the president's bill in the Senate. It was co-sponsored by nine other senators. It is called the National Education Improvement Act of 1963.

The bill was introduced in the House of Representatives by Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D., N. Y.), chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor.

At the time the president's education message was sent to Congress the text of the proposed bill was not available. However, lengthy explanations of the program prepared by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare were distributed.

**Total Cost Not Known**  
Until copies of the 190-page bill come from the Government Printing Office and a detailed study can be made, no one knows the total cost of the program.

The president's education program is in difficulty from the start. Both senator Morse and the nine co-sponsors "ex-

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## SBC Special Gifts Up

NASHVILLE (BP) — Lottie Moon Christmas offering gifts to foreign missions pushed the designated totals for January, 1963 at the Southern Baptist Convention Treasurer's office here to \$2,521,075.

Treasurer Porter Routh said this compared with \$2,379,403 forwarded from state Baptist offices during January, 1962. Most of the designated gifts received in January are from the Lottie Moon offering.

Cooperative Program gifts were another story. They declined by comparison with the previous January.

The figures are 7 for January 1963, \$1,628,000, and for the same month in 1962, \$1,702,261.

Yet the Cooperative Program budget for calendar-fiscal year 1963 for the Southern Baptist Convention is \$19,792,500, against \$19,013,500 for the year 1962.

In studying the Cooperative Program comparisons, it should be noted that one large state's gifts through this channel failed to come in.

North Carolina, which sent in \$76,427 in January, 1962 for the Cooperative Program, did not send another in January, 1963.

Declines in amounts sent in involved several other state Baptist groups, when compared with last year's first month.

These states included Arizona, Arkansas, California, District of Columbia, Florida,

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## State Receipts Up For January

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for January totaled \$288,067.05, an increase of \$28,776.95 over the \$259,290.10 given in January a year ago.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary - Treasurer, in releasing the figures, said that receipts thus far this calendar year are \$1,000,405.60.

This is a decrease of \$23,996.66 under the \$1,024,402.26 given during the same period a year ago.

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination and accounts for approximately two-thirds of the grand total mission contributions.

## 700 Expected For Gulfshore Meet

Up to 700 Baptist association superintendents of missions and denominational leaders from practically every state in the Union are expected Feb. 11-15 at Gulfshore Assembly for a Convention-wide Conference on Associational Missions.

Sponsoring the conference, the first one of this magnitude to be held, is the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, with Dr. Arthur B. Rutledge, Director of the Division of Missions of the Board as director of the conference.

Inspirational speakers will be Dr. H. H. Hobbs of Oklahoma City, president of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. W. Marshall Craig, evangelist of Dallas; Dr. C. C. Warren, Charlotte, N. C., Director of the Southern Baptist 30,000 Movement; Dr. Harold W. Sawyer, pastor of First Baptist Church, Mobile, Ala.; and Dr. Leo Eddleman, president of New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

**State Men To Have Part**  
The conference will begin at 2:00 p.m. Monday and adjourn at noon Friday.

Mississippians to participate on program will include Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Jackson, Hinds County Superintendent of Missions; Rev. Richard McFarland, Philadelphia, missionary to Choctaw Indians, and Rev. John McBride, Bolivar County Superintendent of missions.

Other out-of-state program personalities will include Dr. Robert A. Baker, Professor of Church History, Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas; Dr. Albert McClellan, Program Planning Secretary, Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville; Dr. Courts Redford, Executive Secretary, and Dr. (Continued on page 2)

## Methodists Lead In 88th Congress

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) — A survey of religious affiliations of the members of the 88th Congress shows that Methodists will have the largest group.

There will be 102 Methodists. Roman Catholics will be second with 99.

Methodists also are most numerous in the Senate, claiming 24 of the 100 members.

There are 13 Baptists in the Senate and 50 in the House.

Roman Catholics outnumbered any other single religious body in the House of Representatives, with 88. But there are only 11 Catholic senators this session. The Methodists rank second in the House, with 78 members.

Presbyterians are numerous in Congress this year, with 71 members serving in the House and 11 in the Senate. Episcopalians have 15 Senators and 49 members in the House.

The United Church of Christ has 20 members in the House and six in the Senate. Lutherans have 15 members in the House, but only two in the Senate.

## CHINA'S SHANTUNG CRUSADE

## Revival Sees Change In Lives

By Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby (Fifth in a Series)

"The Christians have a NEW Jesus," was the comment whispered to one another at a revival-time in China. They saw the change in the lives of Christians. Debts were paid. Pardon was sought for wrongs done. Feuds were ended. Love was manifested. The pagan decided that NOW a Jesus of POWER has taken over. Someone with ability to change a life.

In another corner they were whispering: "Have you heard? The God of the Christians has come down to live among them." One transformed man said: "I thank God I am not I anymore." He was a new creature.

Before this Awakening, it was difficult to induce many church members to abandon entirely their idolatry and superstition. They often hid them when the missionary made a visit to their homes, but secretly clung to them. Sometimes older missionaries had excused this lapse into heathenism by saying that you could not expect real Christian character until the third or fourth generation. During the Awakening they discovered this to be untrue.

The quickening, cleansing fires of the Spirit during the Revival made new creatures in Christ even sometimes during their first service.

Mary Monsen says about the conversion of many church members: "Too great a proportion of church-members and leaders had given a mental assent to the faith without having actually experienced newness of life.

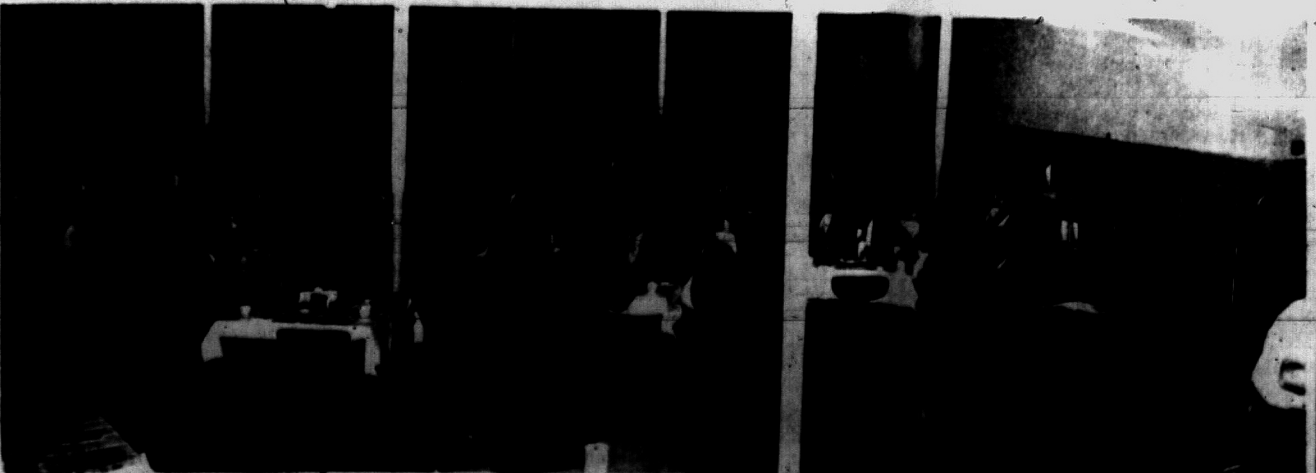
"It seems possible to have a strong mental belief in the facts of the gospel, without any conception of the fundamental moral demands of it."

Another described this as being "converted to Christianity (doctrine) without being converted to Christ." When the Holy Spirit power accompanied the preaching of the Word,

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## Date Set To Argue Cases On Bible Reading

WASHINGTON (BP) — The United States Supreme Court will hear arguments in the Maryland and Pennsylvania Bible reading and Lord's Prayer cases on February 26 and 27. Two hours will be allotted to each side.



PASTOR-DEACON BANQUET—About one-half of those present at the Pastor-Deacon Banquet for Gulf Coast Association are seen. There were 215 present, the largest number for any such banquet held thus far this year. The banquet was held at Gulf

shore Assembly. Speakers were Dr. Joe T. Odle, Editor of the Baptist Record, and W. E. Roberts, State Representative of the Annuity Board.



## SBC HOSPITALS ASK MORE FUNDS

JACKSONVILLE (BP)—The board of Southern Baptist Hospitals, an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention, voted here to request more funds from the SBC.

It said \$200,000 is needed each year to pay the interest on the capital mortgage debt. The hospital in this Florida city and another in New Orleans are planning expansions which may total \$20 million. Both hospitals are operated by the agency.

T. Sloane Guy Jr., New Orleans, executive secretary, said Baptists have a stand against government grants and loans. This has made it necessary for these two hospitals to turn to lending sources charging higher interest than the government.

This stand places the hospitals in the position of having to ask their patients or the denomination for more money to pay the interest. Guy said he feels the patients should not be charged for a church-state principle the denomination stands on.

He said the denomination should bear the cost resulting from its stand on the issue.

The agency has been getting \$25,000 a year from the convention for operations. This was raised to \$35,000 in 1963. Guy reported the "full \$25,000

allocated for 'operating'... is credited to the program" of providing services for "those least able to pay."

**Opposes New Tax Plan**  
The agency also has \$50,000 annual Cooperative Program support for its capital needs program. The hospital board also voted to oppose part President John F. Kennedy's new income tax proposals.

The board said Kennedy's proposals "would cut the amount which persons could deduct from their income tax for gifts to hospitals. It feared this would reduce the donations to the hospitals."

The agency also agreed to do more to inform the Baptist "man-in-the-street" about the work of the two hospitals—Baptist Memorial Hospital here and Southern Baptist hospital in New Orleans.

Rufus H. Zachry of Metairie, La., was elected president of the board. An increase in patient-days of services in the hospitals (already running at a high occupancy rate) was reported. The hospitals must expand, it was reported, in order to meet the need for more bed space.

Hardy M. Harrell, Jacksonville, outgoing board president, said the New Orleans hospital is "on its way in an extensive improvement and expansion program." Preliminary plans for a long-range expansion here are underway, he said.

Lawrence R. Payne, Jacksonville administrator, said this hospital needs to plan for nursing education, future expansion and a greater number of professional personnel.

Spirit, with strength to live and serve in "a new and living way." (Heb. 10:20) A Southern Baptist missionary testified: "The greatest experience that has come to me since I was born into this family was when some months ago I definitely asked for and definitely received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. O, the peace and joy that filled my soul! My heart was filled with joy and ecstasy for weeks. Not that ecstasy is the thing we plead for; it is the power from on high, the Holy Spirit who is power, even the baptism with the Holy Spirit."

**Spontaneous Evangelism**  
Before the Shantung Revival much effort, time and money were spent to promote programs of evangelism. By publicity, attractions and activities men were brought into the church. Mary Crawford says: "For years there have been programs in China such as 'every one win one,' the 'five year program' and efforts were made to 'put it over.' But now that ordinary Christians and even boys and girls are being filled with the Spirit, the soul-winning program goes on spontaneously. We have space to mention a few only, of the hundreds of ordinary people who have been filled and turned to soul-winning." They had tried everything else, so they decided to just take the Bible at face value and try Luke 24:49 and Acts 1:8. This was the biblical method. The roots of the problem were touched.

Even groups of girls banded themselves together to evangelize in the Villas. A man, whose wife was healed, visited eighty villages. Impelled by the compassionate Spirit within, they witnessed everywhere for Christ without the insistence of anyone. The living waters that flowed into their lives had an out-flow and overflow. Converted school students would beg for permission to go back to their homes and tell their loved ones of the Savior. One report was this: "The most gratifying thing about it all is the zeal for lost souls which has come to all that have been blessed. Every Saturday afternoon and Sunday the students go out to be His witnesses 'beginning at Jerusalem.' Young and old seem to feel the responsibility of warning the unsaved that 'the kingdom of heaven is at hand.' I heard of a movement initiated by the students to ask for a week's holiday to go out and preach to the unsaved."

**Preparation For A Crisis**  
As truly as God raised up Moses for a special task and at an exact time; as surely as John the Baptist appeared just at the right moment, so we find the same Hand raising up forerunners for every critical hour in history. Before the crisis strikes, the Voice in the wilderness is heard or the prophet is busy preparing the way. The man and fullness of time come together. It has been said that every Revival through the centuries have come to

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there was transformation of life.

## THE BIBLE BECAME A NEW BOOK

The Bible was the official MANUAL of the Shantung Revival as it has always been in true awakenings. When Marie Monsen felt the call to prepare as an instrument in Revival, she began to memorize passages of the Bible. Her statement about it was: "When a need for the Word arose, the Spirit of God could call it up from the subconscious region and cause it to live and operate at the right moment. In this way the simple sentence shaped itself: THE SPIRIT USES THE WORD."

Spirit-filled men and women had a Spirit-illuminated understanding of God's Word. It became clear and precious to them. The Bible was studied with new zeal and comprehension. Beautiful passages were memorized and set to music. The country people could be heard in the fields singing it. "There is a great demand for Bible Classes. In one station there is a very live group of people who cannot go to regular Bible School, but can give a few months or weeks to special study. At present this group is led by a Spirit-filled young woman, Seminary graduate.

Those who can study during the day, have Bible study in the mornings and go out after souls during the afternoons." There was great interest in teachings that had been neglected or obscured, such as the Holy Spirit. It seemed to be divinely illuminated. Mr. Chiang, an unbelieving believer from Pindu during the Revival in order to make fun. He was saved and filled with the Spirit.

"From that time on his Bible became the living Word. It was of such absorbing interest to him that he would read whole books of the Bible at one sitting, and within a few days he had read the Bible through. There was great compassion for the lost... Wherever he goes the power of God rests upon him and sinners are broken down at the foot of the cross."

## GOD'S POWER WAS MANIFESTED

The divine presence of the Almighty was felt in the meetings during the Shantung Visitation. The difficulty then was not how to get the people to the services but how to induce them to leave. Worship often lasted five and six hours with no show of fatigue. The preaching was energized with the divine power of the Spirit and was felt to be authoritative. It cut and caused men to cry out: "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Conversions came after deep repentance and genuine faith. Many cases of divine healing were experienced. There was power to win souls because the Spirit that filled the preacher's heart accompanied the words spoken.

The gospel was preached not in the letter that kills, but "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." Great conviction of sin came as the result of inspired preaching. (John 16:8) Laymen, missionaries and preachers were filled with the



DONALD WINTERS, Music Department of Carey College in Hattiesburg, shows his autographed picture of Dr. John Finley Williamson to Miss Melba Sue Roper, student. Dr. Williamson comes to the Carey campus for a 4-day workshop February 11-15. All musicians in the state as well as immediate area are invited to participate.

## Carey's Choral Workshop Planned For Feb. 11-15

Fervent activity, reigns in the music department at William Carey College as Donald Winters and his staff plan for the 1963 Choral Workshop to be held on the Carey campus February 11-15.

Dr. John Finley Williamson, famous founder and conductor

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Fresno, where he edited the California Southern Baptist.

Funeral services were conducted Feb. 2 in Fresno. Morris T. Wall, pastor in Yuma, Ariz., officiated, assisted by Grady C. Cothen of Fresno, executive secretary, Southern Baptist General Convention of California.

A second service was held for Waco, Tex., where Simmons asked to be buried. Wall officiated, with assistance from E. S. James, Dallas, editor of the Baptist Standard.

Simmons told friends to donate money to Baptist missions in California that would have been spent for flowers for the funeral.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Edna M. Simmons; Simmons had three daughters and a son by his first wife. They live in Texas.

## Jack Rowe Dies Of Injuries

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Jack Rowe, 38, asst. professor of music at Howard College, died Thursday night of last week in Druid City Hospital in Tuscaloosa following a traffic accident, Saturday, Jan. 26.

Mr. Rowe, his wife and Steve Nelson of Howard's music faculty were returning from a music conference in New Orleans when the crash occurred

prepare for some unusual event.

Poor China! Downtrodden by the ruthless hand of the Japanese; then followed the atheistic Communist invasion. God in His infinite wisdom and loving compassion sent the Shantung Awakening to prepare the people for the suffering they must endure, the courage they must show and the stability they must reveal. If true Christianity continues to exist in Christ today, it is due in great part to this Revival. Deep and real experiences with God anchored a remnant in China. Christ became theirs in such a way that nothing could separate them from His love. The TRUTH they came to know was not by the hearing of the ear only. By deep, rich experiences they were anchored to Christ's love and power. Divine TRUTH must ever go beyond theory and theology. Only experienced truth can be truly understood and carry a person through the storms of life.

The missionaries consulted on the Shantung Awakening were unanimous in saying that Christians were prepared for the terrible years of suffering that followed. These messengers of God were anointed. When they were dispersed to other fields in the Orient, they faced their work with new power and faith. In almost all the countries where they have gone there are smoldering fires of Revival, a hunger for NEW LIFE. The East today has a NEW LIFE MOVEMENT for which all of us should pray daily. "Oh the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God. His ways are past finding out."

Rev. Billy Cain has accepted the pastorate of Bethel Church, Lawrence County.

of the Westminster Choir will direct the five-day musical activities which will involve not only the student body but guests from the entire area. The Choral Workshop is also under the sponsorship of the Lebanon Baptist Association.

The schedule of events includes: vocal pedagogy, choral conducting, choral technique, church music, and festival choir participation. Mrs. Williamson, also quite famous in her own right as a lecturer, will assist her husband in the workshop.

All music directors, teachers, interested persons in this type of endeavor are urged to contact Donald Winters, Music Department, William Carey College, Hattiesburg for information concerning accommodations.

near Tuscaloosa.

Mr. Rowe is survived by his wife, who is now in Caraway Methodist Hospital in Birmingham, due to injuries received in the wreck, two sons Paul and Timothy; and one daughter, Emily.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, February 2 in Howard College's Reid Chapel. Interment took place in Memphis, Tenn.

## Exchange Pulpits For A Day

Rev. Clayton Mason, pastor of Prospect Church, Perry County, preached at Antioch Church, Monticello, on January 27. (Antioch is his "old home church.")

Antioch's pastor, Rev. Burt Lewis, exchanged pulpits with Mason on that Sunday and preached at Prospect Church.

## Methodist Total Up Giving Record

CINCINNATI, Ohio (EP). — Methodists gave \$28,198,000 for denominational missionary work in the U.S. and in 47 overseas countries in the fiscal year ending May 31, about \$1.3 million more than in the previous year, it was reported here.

Investments, bequests and other sources brought to \$32,442,000 the total income received by the Methodist Board of Missions and its four divisions last year.

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Hawaii (which also sent nothing in January, 1963), Kentucky, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Tennessee.

Major disbursement to any SBC agency was to the Foreign Mission Board. This is true in other months, but is especially noticed when Lottie Moon comes around.



Bruce Aultman

## Carey College -

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ell, Jackson; Crawford Lipsey, Brookhaven; Dr. A. K. McMillan, Lucedale; B. J. Martin, Laurel; Dr. Glen Pearson, Hattiesburg; M. F. Rayburn, Meridian; Dr. T. E. Ross, Hattiesburg; Rev. Johnny L. Taylor, Drew; R. B. Thomas, Hattiesburg.

## YOUTH TO STUDY COMMUNISM AT CALVARY, JACKSON

Calvary Church, Jackson, will conduct a one-day study of Communism on February 16. Dr. John W. Drakeford, well known speaker and seminary professor, will be the main speaker for this study or "Institute" which will begin at 9:30 a.m. and last until 4:00 p.m. according to announcement by Frank Tatum, Youth Director of Calvary Church.

"This Institute will meet an urgent need in the lives of impressionable youth. Youth must know the communist and the

communist methods." Mr. Tatum said. "Communism plans to overthrow the entire world. Their master plan or blueprint is of the greatest importance to the free world. We must become better informed about the aims, methods, and techniques of our communist enemies. We must equip our Christian youth to effectively combat this satanical force. This is the purpose of the Institute, the youth leader continued.

Designed primarily for High School and College students, the institute is open to all youth and adults who desire to learn more about the communist threat. Youth workers and parents all are encouraged to attend.

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season. A third unit of Mount View Lodge, a housing unit of 16 rooms with private baths, started in September, will be ready this summer. A new boys' staff building now under construction will be ready in June.

Heard that plans for a new Book Store building in Birmingham are being prepared, with the possibility of construction starting in August. The building will be ready for occupancy when the lease on the present building expires in the Spring of 1964.

Approved the consideration of two new book stores in Indianapolis, Ind., and Norfolk, Va.

Approved a wage increase for its employees, to comply with the new federal minimum wage requirement. Salaries below \$1.25 per hour federal minimum will be raised to meet this figure, beginning Sept. 1. All other salaries above base rates will be increased slightly Oct. 1.

Approved letting of contracts for remodeling the Board's west wing and the building of a new assembly hall for 1963 at Camp Ridgecrest for boys at Ridgecrest Assembly, to replace Fidelis Hall, which is now beyond reasonable repair. Cost will be about \$15,000.

## Accepted Financial Report

Accepted the financial report for the nine months ending Sept. 30, 1962. It shows an increase in sales and earnings of \$537,000 over the same period of 1961, including increased church literature sales and wholesale merchandise sales. \$4,000,000 was made available to Southern Baptist churches in the form of education and service programs.

Adopted the Broadman Readers' Plan, which will be presented to Southern Baptists at the Southern Baptist Convention in May.

Appreciation certificates were presented by James L. Sullivan executive secretary - treasurer of the board, to retiring board members: Earl Mead, former minister of Education, Cliff Temple Church, Dallas, now retired; Terry Davis, evangelist of Nashville; and Charles L. Norton, Training Union secretary, Tennessee Baptist Convention, Nashville.

Forty-nine of the board's 55 members attended the meeting. The next meeting of the board will be July 30-31 in Nashville. Paul Brooks Leath, pastor, First Southern Church, Fresno, Calif., is president of the board.

## Pastors' Meet To Use Ex-Presidents

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)—Two former presidents of the Southern Baptist Convention are among speakers who will address the 1963 Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference here May 6-7.

The Conference will meet in the music hall prior to the 1963 session of the SBC. A current vice-president of the convention also will preach.

Theme of the two-day meeting will be "The Simple Gospel for Sinful Times," according to W. Herschel Ford, El Paso, Tex., President of the Conference.

Ramsey Pollard, pastor, Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, and immediate past SBC president, will preach on "Hell." R. G. Lee, Memphis, pastor emeritus of Bellevue Church and another former SBC president, will preach on "The Second Coming of Christ." E. S. James of Dallas, editor, The Baptist Standard, will preach on "The Promised Messiah." James is the current second vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention. William G. Burkett of Birmingham, Ala., will direct the music for the pastors' conference. The program will feature SBC preachers, having listed no major program personnel from outside the denomination.



Dr. John W. Drakeford

Dr. John W. Drakeford, the principal speaker, is presently Professor of Psychology and Counseling at Southern Baptist's largest seminary. He is a native of Australia, a scholar and writer, and a frequent speaker on Radio and Television. In the field of communism versus religion, Dr. Drakeford is one of our most colorful and best-informed church leaders, according to Mr. Tatum.

Registration for the Institute will begin at 9:00 a.m. at Calvary Church which is located at 1300 West Capitol Street, Jackson. The program starts at 9:30 a.m. with a welcome and introductions, and at 10:00 a.m. Dr. Drakeford will have two sessions Saturday morning and two during the afternoon. His topic for the entire Institute will be "Red Blueprint for the World," which is also the topic for his recent book on the same subject.

For those who make reservations by calling 355-3641 before noon Friday 15th, a light lunch will be provided at the nominal cost of 25 cents for youth and 50 cents for adults. This will enable them to be back for the films at 12:45 p.m.

Two excellent films will be shown immediately after lunch. Printed materials will be distributed at the registration desk, and pertinent books will be on display. The registration fee will be 50 cents for youth and \$1.00 for adults.

This Institute is a new venture. It is different from anything held in this area. Leaders of Calvary Church feel that it should have a pronounced effect upon the lives of those who attend.

## Atomic War Said To Be Inevitable

WINSTON - SALEM, N. C. (BP)—A chemistry professor at Wake Forest College (Baptist) here predicts an atomic war.

Robert Nevill Isbell, who has been in on more than 20 atom bomb tests, is leaving the staff of the college. Interviewed on his World War II and later experiences in atomic development, Isbell said:

"I am sorry we had to drop the bomb and I am sorry we have had to continue testing it. You will notice I said had to. I think we had no other recourse."

"One of these days even Guatemala will have the bomb. Sooner or later an atomic war will be triggered off and it will be like stepping on a pile of ants. A lot will live and a lot will die."

Only Couple of Hours  
"The war will be won, if you can call it that, in a couple of hours. I guess the winner will be the one who crawls away." Isbell was stationed at the Pentagon after World War II and later became chief of the Radiological Defense Division. He participated in the Eniwetok atomic tests in the Pacific Ocean. He retired in 1955 as an Air Force Colonel and returned to the Wake Forest faculty, where he had been teaching for 13 years prior to 1951.



παράγγαλλε, 2 pers. sing. pres. imper. act.  
1Ti 4:11 5:7 6:17  
Eng: command, give in charge, charge.  
παράγγαλλαι, 3 pers. sing. pres. ind. act.  
Ac 17:30  
Eng: commandeth.  
παράγγαλλειν, pres. inf. act.  
Ac 15:5  
Eng: to command.  
παράγγαλλον, 1 pers. pl. pres. ind. act.  
2Th 3:4,6,12  
Eng: command.  
παράγγαλλω, 1 pers. sing. pres. ind. act.  
Ac 16:18 1Co 7:10 1Ti 6:13  
Eng: I command, I give - charge.  
παράγγαλλον, nom. sing. masc. part. pres. act.  
1Co 11:17  
Eng: that - declare.  
παράγγαλλον, 1 pers. pl. aor.1, ind. act.  
Ac 5:28 1Th 4:11  
Eng: did - we command, commanded.  
παράγγαλαν, 3 pers. pl. aor.1, ind. act.  
Ac 4:18 5:40  
Eng: commanded.  
παράγγαλιν, 3 pers. sing. aor.1, ind. act.  
Mk 6:8 8:6 Lu 5:14 8:56 9:21 Ac 1:4 10:42  
Eng: commanded, charged.  
παράγγαλλον, 3 pers. sing. imperf. ind. act.

IC. ἄγγελος, ὁ, (ἀγγέλλω, ἄγω\*)  
ἄγγελοι, nom. pl. masc.  
Mt 4:11 13:39,49 18:10 22:30 24:36 25:31  
Mk 1:13 12:25 13:32 Lu 2:15 Ro 8:38 He  
1:6 1Pe 1:12 2Pe 2:11 Re 1:20 7:11 8:6  
9:15 12:7,9 15:6  
Eng: angels.  
ἄγγελοις, dat. pl. masc.  
Mt 4:6 25:41 Lu 4:10 1Co 4:9 1Ti 3:16 He  
2:5 Re 7:2 15:7 16:1  
Eng: angels.  
ἄγγελον, acc. sing. masc.  
Mt 11:10 Mk 1:2 Lu 1:18,34 7:27 Ac 10:3  
11:13 12:11 23:8 2Co 11:14 Ga 4:14 Re  
5:2 7:2 9:11 10:1,9 14:6 18:1 19:17 20:1  
22:6,16  
Eng: messenger, angel.  
ἄγγελος, nom. sing. masc.  
Mt 1:20 24:21,19 28:2,5 Lu 1:11,13,19,  
26,28,30,35,38 2:9,10 22:43 Jn 5:4 12:29,  
Ac 5:19 7:30 8:26 10:7 12:7,8,10,15,23,  
23:9 27:23 2Co 12:7 Ga 1:8 Re 8:3,5,7,8,  
10,12 9:1,13 10:5 11:15 14:8,9,15,17,18,  
19 16:3,4,8,10,12,17 17:7 18:21  
Eng: angel, messenger.  
ἄγγελου, gen. sing. masc.  
Lu 2:21 Ac 6:15 7:35,38 10:22 12:9 Re 1:1  
8:4,13 10:7,8,10 16:5 21:17 22:8

PICTURED IS THE top half of a page from Stegenga's new Greek-Analytical Concordance To The Greek-English New Testament.

# Jacksonian Writes First Complete Greek Concordance

By Anne Washburn McWilliams  
Is there really "nothing new under the sun"?

When J. Stegenga's GREEK-ANALYTICAL CONCORDANCE TO THE GREEK-ENGLISH NEW TESTAMENT goes on sale in February, there will be something new under the sun. At least, new to the mind of man. To his knowledge, Mr. Stegenga has written and published the world's first complete Greek-English concordance to the Greek New Testament. It is the first such concordance to list every word in the Greek New Testament in alphabetical order under its root stem and the first to give all case forms of every one of those words. In addition, the book gives the English translation of every form as found in the King James Version.

The product of 36,600 hours of loving labor, this 848-page volume is positively electric in its potential for the Bible student. It will go on sale this month at \$15.00 per copy, at the Baptist Book Store and elsewhere.

**Professors Commend It**  
Dr. Ray Summers, professor at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, excitedly declared, "The work combines the nature of several types of works. It is in part a lexicon, in part an analytical concordance, in part a grammar, and in part a highly specialized study in Greek stems and their derivations. I believe that it is a distinctive work. I know of no work which ever resembles the exhaustive nature of this volume."

"The work has apparently been done with honest and careful concern for accuracy where the Greek language is concerned, with special reference to the Greek New Testament. It is my opinion that the work would be an invaluable tool in the hands of students of Greek at every level of New Testament study - beginner, more mature, and scholarly. "I have taught Greek 23 years at the graduate school level and have written a beginner's Greek grammar which is being used in multiple colleges and seminaries. Times without number I have heard students calling for such a work as this. I have shared their desire for one. Heartily I commend it." Dr. Frank Stagg, New Orleans Seminary, and Dr. W. W. Stevens, Mississippi College have also commended the book.

Rev. Robert H. Ledbetter, pastor of Robinson Street Baptist Church, Jackson, says, "As a minister of the gospel, I realize the need for such a work as this. I believe it is truly an answer to prayer."

The story of this book began ten years ago. If the Lord had said to him, "J. Stegenga, go and scale Mt. Everest," it would have been easier than the commission to compile this concordance.

**A Builder**  
As Jesus called Peter, saying, "Come with me and I will make you a fisher of men," J. Stegenga believed that God said to him, "Come with me, for I have a task for you, and I will give you strength for the task." As Peter was a fisherman, Mr. Stegenga, too, was a layman, a builder. When he began work on this Greek concordance, he did not know one word of Greek! But within his flames the determination to



J. STEGENGA, right, author of Greek-Analytical Concordance To The Greek-English New Testament, explains the book to Mrs. Anne W. McWilliams, Baptist Record editorial assistant.

follow God's leadership, which he felt strongly.

Stegenga's parents, had left the canals and windmills and dikes of their native Holland to cross the Atlantic to America. While they lived in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, their son, John (pronounced yun in the Dutch) was born. (John Stegenga's father had been born in Amsterdam and his mother at the Hague in Holland. Incidentally, the publisher of a 1516 edition of the New Testament in Greek, Dutch Catholic scholar, Erasmus, was also born in Amsterdam.)

The Stegenga family moved from Canada to the Mississippi Gulf Coast, at Pass Christian, where John's parents still live. John Stegenga worked for the federal government during World War II inspecting and purchasing aircraft. Later he became a ceramics tile contractor.

**Daniel Church**  
Ten years ago, he was building a motel in Jackson when he realized that God had something more significant for him to do. Having been an Episcopalian most of his life, he had just been baptized as a member of Daniel Memorial Baptist Church. He was Training Union president and active in the church in other ways. About that time he began an intensive study of his Greek New Testament. His thirst for deeper knowledge of the Bible was as unquenchable as that of a man lost in the Sahara Desert. He could have listened to a preacher 24 hours a day and never have tired. He cast about for a concordance to steer him in his study. Not finding one in Jackson, he looked farther afield.

**Searches In Vain**  
When his search in the Library of Congress at Washington, D. C. proved fruitless, he traversed the sea to England. He walked down the awesome corridors of the British Museum to burrow among the books in King James' personal library, rode through the London fog to Kings College, explored libraries in Paris and Rome and finally in Athens. He kept hoping a Greek scholar may have penned this work, if only in the Greek language, but his quest continued to be in vain.

"I'm a boat man!" Mr. Stegenga chuckled, with a twinkle in his penetrating gray-green eyes. "I was on 15 different boats in six months time from the largest ship to the small-

est boat." In Greece, he is land-hopped from Patmos to Leros to Kos to Rhodes to Cyprus. He checked at the seminary on Patmos but still did not find the Greek concordance he sought. He spent many hours in boats on the storm-tossed Mediterranean, often following routes the apostle Paul followed in his missionary journeys. He called at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Still not finding that for which he looked, he returned to Greece where he studied and wrote for about two years. He then booked passage to the United States. In Jackson, at 145 Beverly Circle, he set about his job in earnest.

**The Monumental Task**  
As the morning glory unfolds to the rising sun, John Stegenga would awaken at sunrise to confront the work on his desk. In his home office, a small square cubicle, he would linger from five a.m. to eleven p.m., keeping this up every day for seven or eight years. Usually he would stop about 15 minutes for each meal. His lovely, patient, and understanding wife, Hilda, would call him to lunch or dinner. (Mrs. Stegenga is the former Hilda Lee, daughter of S. M. Lee of Jackson. For the past two years, Mrs. Stegenga has had another to cook for—John Timothy. "Timmy" was born to the Stegengas when they had been married for 12 years.)

John Stegenga has poured his whole heart and life into the writing of this concordance. To the extent of giving up social life and material possessions. He takes no credit for having written the book, but feels that he was the instrument through which God wrote, that God not only guided his pen, but gave him physical strength for the grueling hours of work.

Stegenga had amassed a considerable fortune before beginning the book. He sold most of his property and possessions to finance the writing and publishing of this volume.

As he studied and wrote in solitude, J. Stegenga saw every word of the New Testament as a priceless gem. He saw the Bible as a treasure-house, more full of gold and jewels than Al Baba's cave. It was a book to be treasured and revered and studied. The new concordance could prove for many an "Open, Sesame" to obtaining a deeper understanding of the New Testament.

**The Purpose**  
THE GREEK-ENGLISH ANALYTICAL CONCORDANCE TO THE GREEK-ENGLISH NEW TESTAMENT

# Bibles Scarce In Communist Lands

By John Allen Moore  
European Baptist Seminary  
Zurich, Switzerland  
(Portion of a Missionary Newsletter)

Continuing our news from Communist lands is some we have received in the last month via a Baptist couple from northern Europe who visited such a country several weeks this summer. They took with them Bibles, New Testaments and other Christian literature in the language of the place.

The traveler wrote: "The people were glad and thankful for the gifts we brought them. All went to churches where they have no Bibles. We don't recognize the value of a Bible until coming to such a country, where there is such a lack of the precious book."

They thought that if one or two could be sent in a parcel now and then, they would be able to get it. They really have had a hard time and even terrifying. It's getting worse and worse. In the seminary they have only one class, with nine students. There are many people who would like to be baptized but it is hard to get permission, which must be asked for every person from the ministry of cults.

A new law forbids changing from one church to another; if your parents are Orthodox and you want to be a Baptist, you don't get permission. So it's practically impossible to evangelize there anymore. To show you the difficult situation; from one place came a list with

seventy persons who wanted to be baptized. The minister of cults said, "It is too much. Forty are enough." And the members were thankful for that. But because they wanted to have one large baptismal service, the local authorities came and took the list and when the day of baptism arrived there were only seven out of the seventy persons who could be baptized. This shows how hard the climate is.

The Orthodox church still seems to be behind the state and makes things difficult, especially for the Baptists for they are a power with their 85,000 members. During the last two years they had to reorganize their union and in the reorganization lost 700 churches because of the consolidation of churches in the same town or area.

In the capital, for instance, there were fourteen churches, six of these having church buildings and how there are only those six churches left with 1,850 members in the large city. And it is not possible to belong to a Baptist church and be a nurse, doctor, and engineer, a teacher of something like that."

From another communist country comes word that two of the Baptist brethren were fined for an article they wrote in their Baptist publication, and the fine is so large that, being unable to pay it, they will probably be imprisoned for a year.

Certainly all of this gives us plenty of food for prayer.

## Parochial Schools

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pressed strong reservations" about it. Some said that there is not enough recommended for aid to pupils in parochial schools.

Morse, speaking for all the senators who sponsored the bill, said that "every one of us reserves the privilege and the right to support any amendments to the bill, as hearings may show that amendments are needed."

On the other side of the hill, Powell warned, "unless all the forces of education, including the National Education Association and the National Catholic Welfare Conference, can come together and speak as one for more and better education for American youth, then federal aid to education is finished for the immediate future."

Msgr. Frederick G. Hochwalt, director of the National Catholic Welfare Conference Department of Education, expressed disappointment in the president's education message. He said that it "contains something for everybody, everybody except the children whose parents have elected to send them to private (elementary and secondary) schools."

The Catholic spokesman continued, "our position has not changed. We ask equal treatment for all children. We have stated this clearly many times. On this we stand firm."

**Summary Given**  
A summary of the president's education program is as follows:

1. Student loans. Raises the National Defense Education Act ceiling from \$80 million to \$135 million for fiscal year 1964; extends the 50 percent forgiveness feature to teachers in parochial schools and to college teachers. The loan program operates in both public and private colleges.
2. Loan insurance. Federal guarantee of student loans by banks, colleges and universities. Both public and private institutions eligible.
3. Work-study. A three-year program to pay needy students for campus employment; \$22.5 million first year; public and private higher education students eligible.
4. Graduate fellowships. Increase present program from 1,500 to 10,000, plus 2,000 summer fellowships; public and private colleges eligible.
5. Construction loans. For across the board higher education academic facilities; \$1 billion over a three-year period; public and private schools eligible.
6. Junior colleges. Three-year program of grants to states; \$65 million first year; public community colleges only.
7. Technical education. Three-year program to train technicians in engineering, science, and health occupations; \$30 million first year; grants for both projects and construction; both public and private



THE NEW BUILDING of First Baptist Church, in Miraflores, Arequipa, Peru, is just a half-block from one of the city's principal plazas.

## Arequipa Church Has New Building

The new auditorium of First Baptist Church, in Miraflores, Arequipa, Peru, is laid out in the design of a cross, and three crosses may be seen on the facade of the building - one formed by stained glass in the window, one formed by the metal framework of the door, and the third made of wood. Church members are quick to draw the analogy that entrance to their temple is by the cross of Christ, or the center cross, says Mrs. J. Bryan Brasington, Southern Baptist missionary in Lima, Peru, who reported on the new building.

Located just a half-block from one of the principal plazas of the city, the building was planned and constructed under the direction of Rev. Irvin L. Worthcutt, Southern Baptist missionary in Arequipa. It contains educational space as well as the auditorium.

Among persons taking part in the dedication service, October 14, was the new pastor, Rev. Fernando Cardenas, a recent graduate of the International Baptist Theological Seminary, in Cali, Colombia. The principal address was delivered by Mr. Brasington.

## Alert Minister's Wife Saves Carpenter's Life

ATKINS, Ark. (BP) - The wife of a Baptist minister was credited with saving the life of an Arkansas man recently.

Mrs. John R. Hagan, whose husband is pastor of First Baptist Church, Atkins, happened on a highway accident near Atkins. She found a 45-year-old carpenter unconscious on the pavement. He had swallowed his tongue, completely shutting off his body air supply.

Mrs. Hagan, a registered nurse, put her knowledge to work quickly and effectively. She cleared his air passage with a borrowed comb, wrapped in a handkerchief, which she used as a tongue blade. The carpenter soon began breathing again.

## Jordan Assures Baptists of Aid For Pilgrims

AMMAN, Jordan (RNS) - Four thousand young Baptists scheduled to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Places in this country next June were assured here of every cooperation from the Jordan government.

The assurances came from Premier Wasfi el-Tal when he received Dr. Robert S. Denny, director of youth work for the Baptist World Alliance. Dr. Denny was accompanied by a leader of the Baptist center in the Old City of Jerusalem.

The pilgrimage will follow the Sixth Baptist World Youth Conference to be held at Beirut, Lebanon. It also was announced that the Israeli Government Tourist Corporation has begun preparations to assist the Baptist pilgrims planning to visit the Holy Places in Israel.

## Billy Graham Is Hospitalized

DALLAS - Evangelist Billy Graham was hospitalized Monday, suffering from bronchitis, and a lung specialist was called in for consultation, according to a UPI report.

T. W. Wilson, an associate, said it was believed the 44-year-old Graham was not seriously ill, but it would not be known definitely until a complete check-up is made Tuesday.

**Thirty**  
Gene Pierce, Jackson, associate, State Training Union Department, was author of the non-departmental assembly programs to appear in the March, May, July, September, and November issues of this year's Training Union Magazine.

**Education**  
cations for projects of special training for handicapped children; three-year program; \$15 million first year; public and private schools eligible.

**University extension**  
Grants to states for state universities; \$6,000,000 for each of three years for university extension courses in land-grant colleges and state universities.

**Adult education**  
Three-year program; \$5 million first year; grants to states for adult education up to eighth grade; public schools only.

**Public libraries**  
Grants to states for expansion of libraries; increase of present ceiling of \$7.5 to \$10 million first year; other amounts to be determined.



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## Baptists' Biggest Business

The annual Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference has been in session at Gulfshore this week, and hundreds of Mississippi Baptist pastors and leaders have been considering Mississippi Baptists' biggest business in 1963.

What is this "biggest business" facing us right now? Superficial thinking would bring varied answers, but serious thought will quickly reveal the true answer. What is the greatest thing that one individual can do for another? What clear command has Christ given every Christian? What is basic to all that we do in our churches and our denominational program? Surely the answer is obvious. It is the bringing of people to know Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. This is unquestionably the biggest task of individual Christians, of the churches, and of the denomination in 1963!

Southern Baptists have always been an evangelistic people. The charge which is sometimes made against them, that their principal interest is to get people saved is basically true. It is largely evangelistic zeal which has made the denomination what it is. This does not minimize the other programs and activities of the denomination. It simply places at the center the emphasis which rightly belongs there. Our main business is to be witnesses for Christ.

In recent years, however, the record in soul winning has not been as outstanding as in the past. While the reports for 1962 have not yet been released, it is evident from preliminary studies that the number of baptisms in 1962 fell short of the previous year. Moreover, the ratio of baptisms to membership has grown larger in recent years. Unless this trend is reversed the denomination quickly will lose the place of leadership God has given it in the field of evangelism. The multitudes of souls lost because we lose it is tragic to contemplate. The trend must be changed, and changed now.

Baptist leaders and pastors are determined to change this condition. They know that the Bible plan of witnessing will change it. They are praying for spiritual revival to come in such power of the Holy Spirit, that He will "send forth laborers" into the harvest fields, to be soul-winners for Him.

Any individual Christian can be a soul winner. Any church can be a soul winning church. Three things are necessary: a filling and empowering by the Holy Spirit; preparation for the task; and a definite effort to witness for Christ. When these conditions are met, souls are won.

In a new book, "Soul Winning Is Easy" by C. S. Lovett, the author says concerning soul winning, "The heart of this system (personal soul winning) is the PERSON of Jesus Christ. The REQUISITE of that system is KNOWING Jesus Christ. The OBJECT of this system is to bring an individual FACE TO FACE with the Person of Jesus and urge him to RECEIVE the Lord in his heart."

That is our task! We know Jesus! We want others to know Him! We must introduce Him to them! Every person who knows Jesus Christ can win others, if he follows the Spirit's leadership, is dedicated to the task, prepares for the work, and then actually does it.

Let Mississippi Baptists search their own hearts. Let them ask themselves individually, "Am I a faithful witness for Christ? Is my church actually seriously trying to win the lost?"

Heart, prayer, dedication, preparation and action can change evangelism in Mississippi in 1963, and can win great multitudes of people to Christ.

## "There Is But A Step..."

"There is but a step between me and death." These words of David seem so real and meaningful when the news wires flash stories such as they have carried in the past few days.

"Dr. Douglas M. Branch killed in car-truck crash in North Carolina."

"Kelly Simmons dies in California."

"Jack Rowe dies of injuries from wreck in Alabama."

All of these stories came the same day. And it was only two weeks ago that the wires carried the story, "Dr. Roland Q. Leavell dies after heart attack."

Three of these men were busy in the midst of the tasks to which God had called them. One was in what might be called active retirement.

One of the men had been ill for some months, and knew that death might be near. Another recognized that he had not too much strength and that his years were to some degree numbered. Perhaps the other two had no thought of death, but suddenly it was upon them.

And so the truth of the words of David is revealed. We are here today; we know not what tomorrow may bring. Death may be only a step away.

It was that for Dr. Douglas M. Branch, beloved leader of North Carolina Baptists. A successful pastor for many years and long active in denominational affairs, he had been called to be a denominational executive only short years ago. He gave great and wise leadership to his state convention during a period when problems beset it. Continually he moved across his own state, and to many other areas of Southern Baptist life to serve his Lord... when, suddenly, his ministry was finished. Death was only a step away.

This was also true with J. Kelly Simmons, although he had known for several months that death might come soon. Last summer at San Francisco, as California Baptist editor, he was the host editor for other Southern Baptist editors attending the Southern Baptist Convention. Even at that time serious disease must have been at work within him, and in a short time, hospitalization and operations came. The doctors fought valiantly to save his life, but months ago announced to him that an inoperable cancer had been found. In and out of the hospital, he continued his editorial ministry, and in recent months had written numerous editorials expressing mighty faith and great courage. He was determined to serve until the upward call came. Some of those editorials have appeared in The Baptist Record and other may yet be used. Now, suddenly, the news comes: "Kelly Simmons..." In grief we bow our heads and think of a fellow editor and what he meant as a friend. And we realize anew that "there is just a step..."

What was true of these two men, was also true of the others. And it is true of all of us. Who will be the next to take that step, only God knows.

It is not a step to fear, when it is a step with God. It is not an enemy for those who have prepared for it through Jesus Christ. Certainly for those left behind there is grief and sorrow, but for those Christians who walk with Christ in this world and then through the door of death with Him it is only glory. Nothing is more clearly taught in the Word.

Our responsibility is to be ready. We are to trust Christ as Saviour and Lord, and then live for Him daily in the tasks He gives us. Every day should be lived as if it were our last, for one day will be just that.

There is but a step

# THE WORD OF POWER



THE WORD OF POWER—The above photo is a copy of the Worldwide Bible Reading poster recently distributed by the Bible Society.

## New Books

**THE 1963 HOME MISSION GRADED SERIES** for 1963 presents five books of the Church's Ministry to Persons of Special Need. The books will be studied by WMU organizations in connection with the WMU Week of Prayer for Home Missions and the Annie Armstrong Offering. The books are as follows:

**THE CHAIRS ARE STRONG** by W. C. Fields. (Adults) Presents the responsibility of Christians and their churches for the masses of people that make up America. The author describes the problems of the slums, the inner city, the poor, the delinquent, the alcoholic, the drug addict, the migrant, the mountain people and others. He reveals the Southern Baptist strategy in trying to meet these needs. It is a graphic picture of Home Missions in 1963.

**THE VACANT HEARTED** by Kate Ellen Graver (Young People) Tells of Southern Baptist mission work with the migrants, the deaf, the people who need to come to rescue missions, the Indians, the exchange students and others.

**SON OF ISRAEL** by A. Jase Jones (Intermediate) The story of how a Jewish

boy who came from Germany to live first in New York and then in Dallas, was led to Christ through the friendship and concern of Baptist friends, and the Jewish fellowship program.

**BUTCH DISCOVERS AMERICA** by William N. McElrath (Junior). An Italian boy discovers America, Baptists, Home Mission ministries and Christ.

**THE HAPPY HOUSE** by Doris Curtis Tabbs (Primaries). Chuckie learns about the good times and wonderful things that happen at a Baptist Good Will Center.

**NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY** by Frank Staggs (Broadman, 361 pp., \$5.95)

While this volume from the pen of this outstanding professor at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will probably primarily be used as a seminary textbook, it will prove of great value to a far larger group of readers. Pastors and laymen alike will find a valuable interpretation of great New Testament doctrines. Dr. Staggs believes that the New Testament is concerned basically to proclaim the story of salvation. He traces that mes-

sage in this volume. Beginning with an opening chapter on the Bible, itself, he then proceeds to show what God's Word reveals about Man's "plight as a sinner." This is followed by the presentation of Christ as the redeemer, in a chapter on "The Christology of the New Testament." Following chapters discuss Salvation, the Death and Resurrection of Christ, the Kingdom, the Church (defined as "the People of God"), Baptism, the Lord's Supper, the Ministry of the Church, Christian Living and Eschatology (last things). The volume is not as exhaustive as some previous Baptist volumes on theology. The author does not dodge difficult problems or passages but faces them frankly and presents clear interpretations. He believes that the Bible is God's Word, and that it has God's message for men. In these pages he seeks to reveal and interpret that message.

**THE RAINBOW AND THE RESURRECTION** by Johnstone G. Patrick (Zondervan, 159 pp., \$2.95)

An English preacher, who after many years in Britain, now pastors a Presbyterian Church in Pennsylvania, writes meditations for Lent, the Seven Last Words, Good Friday and Easter. There are sixteen messages and four poems, one at the beginning of each section of the book. In clear outline, and stirring exposition and interpretation, the author presents some of the great truths concerning the suffering and death of Christ.

**ISRAEL IN PROPHECY** by John F. Walvoord (Zondervan, 133 pp., \$2.50)

Does Israel have a place in prophecy? Does the establishment of the new state of Israel have anything to do with Bible prophecy? Have the promises of God to Abraham and David been fulfilled? What is ahead for Israel? The author believes that Israel still has a place in God's plans, and that prophecy is being fulfilled now. An enlightening study, although not all of our readers will accept all of the author's conclusions.

**APOSTLE EXTRAORDINARY**, a modern portrait of St. Paul by Reginald E. O. White (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 209 pp., \$3.50)

The book is a picture of Paul, concerning itself with the mind and character and message of the apostle, rather than the details of his life. It takes into account the latest special studies in the New Testament. The author is a Baptist minister, who has held pastorates in Wales, Scotland, and England.

**QUOTABLE ILLUSTRATIONS** by Robert G. Lee (Zondervan, 128 pp., \$2.00)

An old saying goes, "An illustration is worth a ton of talk." Here is a whole book of highly usable illustrations collected by the matchless preacher-speaker, Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis, Tennessee.

## Gleanings from the Greek New Testament

by V. Wayne Barlow

## The Medicine Of Friendship

Paul's friends were a tonic to him. Of course, he didn't say so precisely in those words. But he said as much in the idiom of his own day. Concerning his friends—Aristarchus, Mark, and Jesus Justus—Paul said, "These... have been a comfort unto me" (Colossians 4:11).

But the word translated "comfort" is an unusual one. Paregoria is the word. It is not the one most commonly employed in the writings of the New Testament. Other possible meanings are relief and alleviation. It sounds like medicine, doesn't it? Well, the history of the word is long and involved, but, so far as we can tell, it had no medicinal connotation in the New Testament period. However, it was the word from which our "paregoric" was derived. Perhaps you had already

noted the very obvious similarity.

Paul was in prison when he spoke of the comfort of his friends. In the same connection he lamented "lack of friendship of others." These only, he said, "have been a comfort unto me." Doubtless Paul had many needs during those days. But, surely, if he ever needed the medicine of friendship, he needed it then.

Which raises some questions for our time. How many people can you imagine are in similar need today? How many in prison, poor house, orphanage, hospital? How many are seeking the counsel of psychiatrist? How many hypochondriacs? How many neurotics? How many alcoholics are addicted to the "tonic" contained in bottles, whose condition could be the paregoric of your friendship? Perhaps you had already

## Baptist Forum

### Connecticut Group Searching for More Southern Baptists

Dear Mr. Odle: We thought perhaps your readers would like to know about a small Southern Baptist group which is meeting in Greenwich, Connecticut. In return they can help us by telling us about more Baptist families who are living in this area.

Our parent church, the Man-hatten Baptist Church of New York City, is a member of the Southern Baptist Convention. This church is doing a wonderful work and during a cold winter, I can assure you, it is the "warmest place in the entire city." The people have the intense warmth of Christian friendliness and love. Under the leadership of Dr. Paul James, the efforts of this church have resulted in the establishment of mission points and churches in the areas surrounding New York City.

Our group of 22 is meeting in

the YMCA as the Greenwich Baptist Fellowship, a mission point. We are thankful for the guidance of Dr. F. N. Pack, a retired Texas preacher. Eager to become a church, we have filed our petition to the Man-hatten Baptist Church to start the necessary procedures and are looking for property.

We are searching high and low for people in the Stamford-Greenwich part of Connecticut and in the adjoining area over to White Plains, New York who might be interested in meeting with us. There are many Southern Baptists up here who need us almost as badly as we need them. Can you help us find out who they are and where they live?

Would you please publish our appeal with faith that displaced Southern Baptists will read it or that family and friends will see it and write to them and to us. Our address is: Greenwich Baptist Fellowship, c/o Jack Skelton, P. O. Box 93, Cos Cob, Connecticut.

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## Pages From The Past

By J. L. Boyd

**60 Years Ago** Mississippi College had 12 new students to enter after Christmas, running the total enrollment up to 285. President Lowrey announced "We may yet reach 300."

**50 Years Ago** Editor P. I. Lipsey started a three months campaign for one thousand annual subscriptions to The Baptist Record at fifty cents (50c) each. (At that time the Record was owned and operated by the Mississippi Baptist Publishing Company, and edited by Lipsey. It was printed in the Capital National Bank building, Jackson, opposite the postoffice.)

The Wiggins Baptist Church "stormed" their pastor, Rev. H. C. Joiner, on December 31st, "flooding" the dining room with all kinds of Christmas tokens of love and appreciation. Then the pastor's family was caught up in the march around the town from house to house of the members, "praising God from whom all blessings flow," till the Old Year expired and the New Year was ushered in with the "ringing of bells, blowing of whistles and display of fireworks."

**25 Years Ago** Mrs. Frances Lipsey Steele of Magee took up the task of editing the "Children's Page" in the Baptist Record that had been carried on for several years by her mother, Mrs. Julia Toy Lipsey, deceased. For eighteen years Mississippi J. R. Hobbs had been pastor of First Baptist Church of Birmingham, Ala., till retirement, during which time its membership grew from 500 to 2,800. (Hobbs was a ministerial student at Mississippi College in 1902 when this writer first enrolled in the College. He was then the most eloquent student on the campus.)

## Calendar of Prayer

- February 11 — R. M. Read, Brotherhood president, Carroll Association; Louis C. Temple, faculty, Mississippi College.
- February 12 — E. V. Moseley, Adams association Training Union director; Mrs. B. B. Allen, Sunflower association WMU president.
- February 13 — Ralph Herring, Director; Seminary Extension Department; John C. McGraw, faculty, William Carey College.
- February 14 — Vesta Cole, Baptist Book Store; Dick Guyton, staff, Blue Mountain College.
- February 15 — Carolyn Madison, Baptist Building; Mavis McCarty, Baptist Building.
- February 16 — Elton Moore, staff, Clarke College; Mrs. Minnie Strickland, staff, Baptist Children's Village.
- February 17 — Joyce May, staff Baptist Hospital; Joseph Oliver, Monroe association superintendent of missions.

In March, 1961, there were approximately 8.25 million widows in the country. Currently, the ratio of widows to widowers is 4 to 1.

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# Improving Public Worship

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Christian worship is the privilege and duty of every believer. The churches of the New Testament gathered regularly for worship and instruction. Worship continues to be one of the primary functions of the churches today. Other activities of the church may cease at the end of this present age, but worship continues on into heaven as the continuing experience of the people of God.

A study group within our denomination has recently identified four basic functions of the church: worship, proclamation, education, and ministry. In our denominational literature and programs we shall be giving emphasis to each of these in coming years. Such an emphasis on worship is long overdue in many of our churches. Worship has been one of the most neglected aspects of our Christian life and work. Genuine worship of the true and living God is one of the most dynamic and creative experiences of which man is capable. Yet in many of our churches we have given to worship very little attention.

Worship is not a competitor of evangelism, of education, or of preaching. It can be and ought to be the best possible preparation for all of these. True worship will increase our love for God and for our fellow man. It will result in Christian conduct in the life of the believer. William Temple has said, "Conduct tests how much of yourself was in the worship you gave to God."

**Need For Improvement**  
We need to improve our understanding of what worship is. William Temple has described worship accurately when he wrote, "To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind by the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, and to devote the will to the purpose of God."

Christian worship is essentially a corporate experience. Even when we pray privately or with our families we should be conscious of our union with Christ and with all our fellow believers who are a part of the body of Christ. In the model prayer, Jesus taught us to pray, "Our Father," emphasizing our relationship with others as we stand before God.

The disturbing answers we must give to these questions reveal how much we need to improve public worship.

**How May We Improve?**  
1. We can improve worship by more careful planning.

If you were granted an interview with some outstanding personality whom you admired very much, certainly you would make careful preparation for the interview. Should not every Christian and particularly every worship leader coming into the presence of God make the most careful preparation for this divine-human encounter?

Worship preparation should begin in the soul of the worship leader. Those who attempt to lead in Christian worship should know God other than by hearsay. In preparing for the leadership of the worship services of any church every person involved should make the most careful spiritual preparation.

In addition to such personal spiritual preparation there needs to be careful group planning of all those sharing in worship leadership. The pastor and the musicians should confer each week and make advance plans for the worship experiences for the weeks to come.

Long-range planning will be greatly appreciated by the choir members and musicians who desire to prepare appropriate music for the desired emphasis on every occasion of worship. Hymns, scripture readings and other elements of the worship service should be chosen with great care and also carefully arranged in a meaningful sequence. Tinkering with the order of service will not necessarily improve worship. A different arrangement of basically unworthy songs, carelessly chosen scripture passages, thoughtless, dull, meandering prayers and poorly prepared messages will certainly do nothing to improve worship.

A perennial problem is what to do about the announcements. Some feel that they should be banished altogether or appear only as printed or mimeographed notices in the printed order of service. Others feel that they make a vital contribution to the spiritual fellowship of the congregation and deserve a place in the order of worship. Certainly the worship service is no place for long harangues or extended promotion.

After plans have been made each participant in worship leadership should be advised concerning his responsibilities. Ushers should be notified of any changes so that they may be prepared to perform their responsibilities at the appropriate times.

2. Worship can be improved by the providing of adequate aids to worship such as proper hymnbooks and a printed or mimeographed order of service to guide the congregation in the worship services. When a printed order of worship can include all of the announcements of interest to the congregation more opportunity for uninterrupted worship can thus be provided.

3. We can improve worship by kindling a spirit of reverence and anticipation.

We need to help people to come to worship expecting to hear the voice of God, to wait upon the Lord, to have fellowship with him and to commit their lives to him in service. This sense of expectation can be stimulated by the way in which the usher courteously

greet and reverently seats the worshiper. It can be aided by the quiet prayer of all members of the congregation as they take their places in the pews.

4. We can construct more worshipful buildings. The architectural setting for worship is important. An attractive well proportioned building with the focus upon the pulpit and the communion table upon which is placed a large opened Bible will help to encourage reverence and will emphasize some of the basic doctrines of our faith.

5. We can improve worship by training our people for worship. We need to know how and why we worship. We can help members to understand the language of worship. We can encourage respect for God and for those periods when his people come to worship before him.

We can improve worship if we want to improve. Where can we begin? Make the improvement of public worship. Improvement of worship a matter for careful planning by the pastor and the church council. Prayerful consideration may be given by the deacons. The ushers may meet for discussion of ways they can assist in making the services worshipful. Parents may discuss the matter with their children, teachers and leaders with their church groups. Resource materials for worship may be added to the church library.

Our church members may be attracted by television, movies, Sunday papers, automobile trips, and various forms of recreation, but in the conduct of Christian worship the church has no competitor. When we improve our worship the people will want to come. Too often "the hungry sheep look up and are not fed," and consequently determine not to come again. People come to our worship services troubled, anxious, weary, doubtful, and defeated. We need to be able to send them away with their hearts uplifted, their countenances aglow with a divinely given inner radiance, and with courage to meet life with new insight and understanding.

What are you willing to do to help improve the worship of your church?



CHILD'S INTEREST—Courts Redford, father of nine, understands a child's interests. Here two girls learn about their part in home missions, under his guiding hand. (BF) Photo.

## Courts Redford Rides Train For Relaxation

Editor's Note: Southern Baptists are looking toward the Annie Armstrong Offering, used to give additional support to home missions. This feature tells of Courts Redford, who directs the Convention's home mission program. This is the third in a series on SBC leaders.

By Mrs. Jackie Durham  
For Baptist Press

The train rumbled noisily down the track from Calhoun, Mo., to the new state of Oklahoma. A five-year-old ad peered out the window, excited, relishing every minute. It was his first train ride.

Samuel Courts Redford was on his way to a new home, the dugout near Granite, Okla., in which his parents, brother and sister would live till a house could be built above it.

His father did carpentry work and farmed the 160 acres he had claimed. However, they soon moved to another farm near Lone Wolf, Okla.

Long walks marked young Courts' early days. He sometimes walked six miles round trip to school. His sister, who taught in the one-room schoolhouses, started him in his education. Before he entered the first grade at seven, he could call off the multiplication tables through 15.

Samuel Courts Redford's strength was arithmetic; his difficulty was in speaking. He could not speak plainly, so spelling and reading were hard.

In spite of this, after his conversion at 12, it was only a few years until he stated his desire to be licensed to preach. The deacon to whom he made known this desire told him years later:

"We wondered how you could preach when you couldn't talk plain." Then, with a smile, he added, "We decided since nobody could understand you, you couldn't do any harm, so we went ahead."

The Redford farm was busy. Recreation matched work. The pasture doubled as a baseball diamond and the farm could also boast two croquet courts and a tennis court. Saturday night parties, hayrides and picnics completed the picture.

**Looks For Employment**  
Courts Redford left home for the first time—headed for Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee. His intent: to look for employment; his promise: that his father would pay what he could not earn.

He washed dishes, set out many of the trees which now grace the campus, swept floors, worked in a downtown clothing store and in the college library. In the summers he worked in Sunday school extension, student evangelism, and made surveys for the Oklahoma Baptist Sunday school department.

He graduated with the highest number of honor points in the class—and met his future wife, Ruth Ford, who came from Henrietta, Tex.

Courts and Ruth were married after she completed her work at Shawnee and he re-

ceived his master's degree from the University of Missouri at Columbia. While at Columbia, he served as student pastor of First Baptist Church.

He served as assistant pastor of First Baptist Church, Shawnee—doing educational work and leading special Junior worship and prayer meeting services. The pastor of the church was J. B. Lawrence, soon to be executive secretary of Missouri Baptists and later executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board for 25 years.

This job was followed by three years as professor of Bible and religious education at OBU. Then a leave of absence from the college allowed Redford to complete another master's degree at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, where he served as a student teacher.

After seminary, he became stewardship and Brotherhood secretary for Missouri Baptists and served an interim as executive secretary.

In 1930, he began 13 years as president of Southwest Baptist College in Bolivar, Mo. "Those years at the college were hard years. . . in many ways, they were the happiest years of my ministry," says Redford.

Redford, his wife and nine children were settled, happy and secure. The college was on the brink of a period of growth and prosperity, when a packet of home mission materials came from J. B. Lawrence. Redford assumed they had been sent for placement in the library; but shortly, Lawrence visited him. "Would you be my assistant?" he asked.

**Directed Program**  
Redford would direct the student mission program and mission work in the outposts—Alaska, Cuba, Panama and the Canal Zone, and would launch a rural mission program.

It was not an easy decision—but the Redfords moved to Atlanta. When Lawrence retired 10 years later, Redford was chosen to succeed him. When Redford succeeded Lawrence in 1953, there were 1074 missionaries. The \$1,970,000 annual budget supported work which by now covered all the United States and some parts of North America.

Lawrence had helped pay the agency out of debt and give it a prominent place in Southern Baptist life. Redford helped to expand it and make it more efficient.

Its work included missions, evangelism, military chaplaincy, church loans, education (including publications) and promotion. A personnel department joined these to help select home missionaries. Those appointed had to meet stringent requirements.

Following direction from the SBC, Redford led in writing cooperative agreements with state Baptist conventions. All mission work possible was given to the states for direction. The Home Mission Board helped to pay them, secure person-

nel and develop mission strategy.

The new services offered were survey and special studies, church development, literacy, and three new areas of chaplaincy (hospital, institutional and industrial).

Today there are more than 2000 home missionaries. The budget for 1953 is \$5,025,000, exclusive of the construction of mission buildings.

**Written Three Books**

Porter Routh of Nashville, executive secretary of the executive committee of the Convention, told the Home Mission Board at its last meeting, "Without any reflection on those who led in the past, I must say that home mission personnel today enjoy a status in the denomination greater than at any time I have known."

Despite the demands on him as executive secretary-treasurer, Redford also finds time to contribute regularly to Southern Baptist publications and has written three books. In 1955 Oklahoma Baptist University presented him with the doctor of divinity degree.

The thrill of the five-year-old lad is still with him. He frequently chooses the train in his travel to all parts of the country, even in this jet age. It is his relaxation. He enjoys the scenery, meets new people, and plans missions work.

His train travels sometimes provide fodder for his column in "Home Missions" magazine. Once when a loose switch tongue derailed a train, he wrote of the danger of persons who have "wagging tongues."

Courts Redford has said, "We cannot give to the world that which we do not possess." He firmly believes that America must be genuinely Christian if she is to succeed in missions abroad.

## February 'Builder' Has World Theme

NASHVILLE—"Baptist Sunday Schools Around the World" is the theme of the February issue of "The Sunday School Builder."

In planning this special issue, the editorial staff had a dual purpose in mind—to inform Baptists in this country of the work that is being done in other lands and to offer some guidance and encouragement to Baptist leaders in other countries.

Dr. Josef Nordenhau, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, has presented in an introductory article entitled "24,000,000 portraits" some "glimpses from the Baptist Family Album." Editor A. V. Washburn has written on "Bible Teaching Around the World."

A four-in-one machine that can mill, drill, bore and tap and ream with a single setup is at work at the Ryan Aeronautical San Diego plant.

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## J. M. Lunsford Heads Child Care Managers

CHAPEL HILL, N. C. (BP)—J. M. Lunsford, administrator, South Texas Baptist Children's Home, Beeville, is the new president of Child Care Executives of Southern Baptists.

He was elected in the organization's annual conference here and will serve for one year. Lunsford succeeds Edgar E. Blake, superintendent, Missouri Baptist Children's Home, Bridgeton, Mo.

The group will hold its 16th annual meeting Feb. 19-20, 1954 in Los Angeles. Host institution will be Sunny Crest Baptist Children's Home, Bakersfield, Calif. The 1955 meeting will be in Washington, D. C., with the Baptist Home for Children at Bethesda, Md., as host.

## Mrs. A. S. Johnston Dies In Jackson

Mrs. Albert Sidney Johnston, wife of a well known retired Mississippi Baptist minister, died at the Baptist Hospital, Jackson, Wednesday, January 30, shortly after being admitted to the hospital. Although she had been in failing health for several months, her death was unexpected.

Funeral services were conducted from Wright and Ferguson Chapel in Jackson, Friday at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Johnston's pastor, Dr. Joe H. Tutten, officiating.

She was a native of Gloster, and had lived in Jackson since 1940, except for about five years spent in Jefferson Davis county, where her husband was pastor of the Phalti Baptist Church. They returned to Jackson in 1938, when Rev. Johnston retired from the ministry.

Mrs. Johnston was a member of Calvary Baptist Church. She was a talented musician.

She is survived by her husband, Rev. Johnston, former pastor of Crestwood Baptist church in Jackson; two daughters, Miss Elizabeth Johnston and Mrs. H. M. Padelford, both of Jackson; one son, James B. Johnston of Houston, Texas; two grandchildren, Walton and Mary Padelford, both of Jackson; and several nieces and nephews.

Interment in Cedar Lawn cemetery.

## VENEZUELA BUILDING DEDICATED

English-language Faith Baptist Church, of Maracaibo, Venezuela, dedicated its newly completed auditorium on December 18. Rev. George S. Losuk, president of the Venezuelan Baptist Mission (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries), preached the sermon, and Missionary Charles B. Clark, who helped begin services for English-speaking people in Maracaibo in 1935, led the prayer of dedication.

The English-language services were held first in the Spanish-language First Baptist Church of Maracaibo and then in rented quarters until the present property was purchased on a main residential street last summer. The property also includes a large corner house which has been converted into educational space. The auditorium was constructed with a loan from the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Formally organized in 1956 with 25 charter members, Faith Church now has a membership of more than 100. It has contributed more than \$30,000 to worldwide missionary causes in its brief history; helped establish two other English-language churches in Venezuela, Lakeside Baptist in Tia Juana and Bethel Baptist in Caracas; and led in the organization of the English-language Baptist General Association of Venezuela.

Rev. James Newman, formerly of Dallas, Tex., is pastor of Faith Church and president of the association.

The college girl's plan for her education should take into account not only the immediate but also the distant future when youth and beauty are fading and mature interests are needed by her and through her for society. — Mrs. H. C. Stanley, English teacher, Belmont College, Nashville. "Education for Vocating" in January, 1953.

POPULAR SPRINGS DRIVE CHURCH, Meridian, honored the pastor Wednesday night, January 29. Rev. Bill Canney and his wife, formerly Charlotte Rose of Winona, were presented with a suite of Early American dinette furniture. Pictured here are (left to right) Chairman of Deacons, Jack Bailey, Mrs. Canney, and Rev. Canney holding the figure "six" signifying being together as church, people, and pastor for six years. Rev. Canney assumed pastoral duties January, 1957. The Canneys have three children—Billy, 6 years old, Carol Rose, 2 years old, and Clara, 8 months.



# Southern Baptists And The Present Theology Situation

By Eugene N. Patterson  
President, Grand Canyon  
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Some months ago I was invited to speak at the Arizona Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference on the subject, "On The Main Road In The Current Theological Crisis." In my study for this occasion I drew on the many years I have spent in thinking and reading about the changing theological situation in the country as well as in Baptist groups and especially among Southern Baptists.

No one needs to tell me that this is a large and complex subject. I am only writing this at the request of my brethren connected with the Arizona Southern Baptist Convention.

## Could It Be True?

Some years ago a church historian in the east expressed his opinion that Southern Baptists were about 50 years behind American Baptists and about 100 years behind British Baptists. It turned out that he was thinking primarily about our position on the Bible and the church. He pointed out the road that organized Baptist groups have generally traveled.

First, there is usually a simple faith in God and an acceptance of the Bible as God's word. There is very little critical investigation of the Scriptures.

Then, Baptists begin to develop schools to train their ministers. Soon there is a demand for academic freedom so they can believe whatever they want to believe in connection with theology. Then there always comes the repudiation of the Scriptures as God's unique revelation to man, and from here the road leads to extreme liberalism, even to unitarianism.

I do not know whether this theory would stand up under critical investigation but I do know this is what has happened to a fringe group all through

Baptist history. Perhaps it is inevitable for groups with the freedom that all Baptists demand. It is certainly nothing to be alarmed about because a Baptist group can stay on the main road if the majority want it that way.

**Have Always Had Crises**  
Baptists have always had theological crises and this certainly holds true for Southern Baptists. Let me just list a few of these and you can do your own investigating if you desire.

Around 1845 the Campbellites came along to disturb Southern Baptists on the doctrine of baptism.

Around 1850, J. R. Graves disturbed our group on the question of Baptist church succession.

Around 1890 W. H. Whittitt caused much disturbance on the question of the Historical Succession of baptism by immersion.

In the early 20th Century there raged considerable controversy over the extreme fundamentalism of J. Frank Norris.

In recent decades and at the present time there is theological controversy over the question of Evolution.

All this just points up the truth that our churches, preachers, and teachers are alive and kicking. Of course, add Southern Baptists and all are not kicking about the same things but this is the genius of Southern Baptists.

**Present Theological Situation**  
If I had the time and space it would be well to go back to the first century and start with the simple Gospel, showing how this has been taken from and added to, all through the centuries.

First, the simple Gospel of the New Testament Churches; then, the developing of the Roman Catholic Church in the 5th and 6th centuries. Because of the Roman Church, the Gospel, with few exceptions, went into eclipse for a thousand

years. Then the Reformation in 16th Century. German rationalism developed in the 18th Century and extreme theological liberalism came out of this into the 19th and 20th centuries.

At the beginning of this century there were many theologians who believed that through the social gospel we would bring a wonderful new order to this world where peace and harmony would prevail. Then came World War I, and as we were recovering from the shock of this war to make the world safe for democracy, we faced World War II.

Many of the theologians who had all the theological answers in extreme liberalism before World War I, had to rethink their whole theological system, hence came neo-orthodoxy; that is, new-orthodoxy. Many of these men have been the teachers in theological schools for the past decades in this country and in Europe.

Our Southern Baptist teachers of Bible, to a large extent in our seminaries and to some extent in our colleges, have studied under these leading world theologians. Most of us who have taught on a graduate level spend at least four years in a Baptist college and at least five years in a Southern Baptist seminary. When we are given a year's leave of absence for further study, it certainly would not be normal to spend another year in one of our own schools. So, the seminary teachers study in Oxford, England; Edinburgh, Scotland; Harvard; Princeton; Temple University, and other schools. These professors are mature scholars, grounded in the faith of Southern Baptists, and this extra study will make them better teachers. We have a system in our seminaries that makes it possible for all of our professors to take off a year occasionally for further study. Every Biblical scholar is acquainted with sound Biblical theology, with extreme liberalism, and neo-orthodoxy.

With this brief background, it is easy to see that some of our professors; some of our pastors, and some of our people will lean in the direction of neo-orthodoxy or occasionally one will become an extreme liberal, but certainly at the present time our leadership would be classified as conservative, theologically. I do not know a pastor or a professor among Southern Baptists that could be classified as an extreme liberal.

**Extra**  
I could give a long list of Baptist distinctives that most Baptists would agree as fundamental theological truths, but instead of this I want to give something that I consider so vital to the future of Southern Baptists.

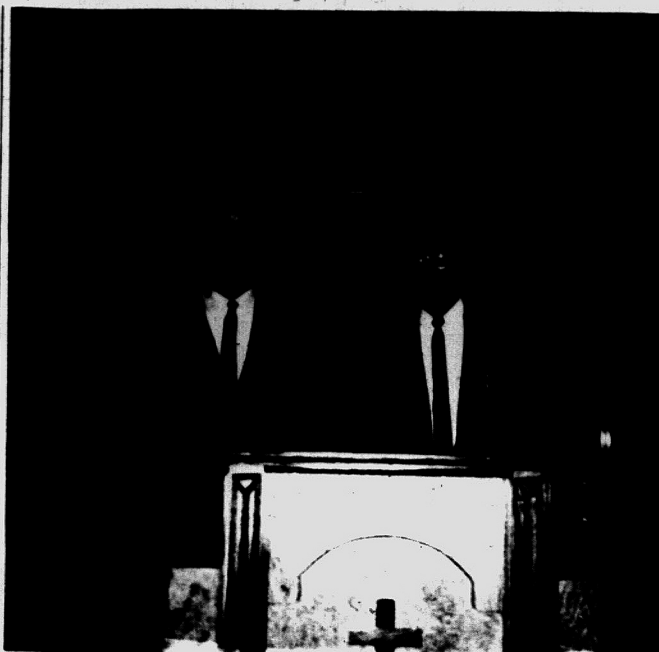
We have built our churches, seminaries, colleges, and we have filled them with people because we believed and preached the Bible. Other groups have not accepted the Bible as the only objective source of authority and they have even run out of preachers to man their churches and missions.

Let us take stock of our present situation. Some of us believe we are still on the right road. If we keep preaching with conviction and our teachers teach with conviction that the Bible is our only objective source of authority, then we will continue to win people to Christ, to build New Testament churches, and to challenge young people to accept God's call into service for Him. If we lose this conviction about the Bible, then it will not make much difference what else we do for we will end up in the ecumenical church, having a little conviction about everything and no deep conviction about anything.

**Governor Names N. C. Editor To Bi-racial Council**  
RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)—J. Marse Grant, editor of the Biblical Recorder here, has been named to the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council by Gov. Terry Sanford.

The governor's office said the bi-racial council would consist of 24 "outstanding citizens of the state." Only 14 were named in the first statement, but others will be added.

The council will have a two-fold mission: (1) to encourage employment of qualified people without regard to race, and (2) to urge youth to be trained for employment.



TWO DEACONS were featured speakers for the January 27 Men's Day at Bethlehem Church, Forkville, in Scott County. Pat Merchant, right, spoke at the morning service on the "The New Birth." Ira Baker, left, spoke during the evening service on the "Second Coming of Christ." Rev. Martin Williams has been pastor at Bethlehem for eight months. Under his guidance, the church has installed a central heating and cooling system and has made a number of other improvements on the church building and pastor's home. Gifts to the Cooperative Program have been raised by two and one-half per cent, and the church has voted to give four per cent to associational missions. There have been eighteen additions to the church.

## PLEASANT THOUGHT— Retirement Is Not A Death Sentence

By W. R. Roberts  
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Mississippi—S.B.C.

Retirement is no death sentence. A man who quits work at 65 can expect to live to be 79.6 years old.

The above observation was recently made by Hal Boyle in his syndicated column, "Boyle It Down."

Our actuaries for the Annuitant Board figure that we must provide for paying our men annuitants over 15 years and for each annuitant's wife from 5 to 7 years longer if she is the same age as her husband. If she is younger than her husband, WE HAVE TO PLAN ON

LONGER TIME.  
It is no less than amazing and perhaps frightening to contemplate the strides that have been made in recent years in longevity of life.

It is amazing to realize that in such a short span of time, through medical science, proper foods and better living standards, life expectancy has been extended 15 or 20 years.

**Some Have Security**  
It is frightening to contemplate what to do with and for our aging population. It is one thing to live. It is quite another to exist.

Thanks to company and government pension plans, most of our aging population reach retirement years with some semblance of security. They at least have enough income to keep the "wolf away from the door."

Perhaps one of society's most pressing problems concerns what to do for our retired people to help relieve them of simple boredom. Most of us are too busy making a living to acquire any hobbies. We are told that not many people take up hobbies after retirement unless they had started before.

It's a pleasant thought to know that retirement is not a death sentence but some things are almost as bad a death. For one not to have something worth while to live for is to live miserably.

There are some pressing problems facing our denominational leadership throughout our convention territory with regard to our increasing aging population.

**More Guidance Needed**  
More attention and guidance need to be given by our churches toward preparing individuals for retirement. Leadership will have to come from our boards and agencies.

An all out effort needs to be made on how best to utilize the experience and wisdom of this resource of talent in our mission enterprise. Quite honestly, we aren't using our retired people to any extent at present.

In the not too distant future, most of our states will be expected to provide retirement homes for our people. If handled properly, this will not be a financial drain on our resources. The operation can and should be self supporting.

There are no problems too big for Baptists to solve. We only need to face up to them squarely.

**Hospital Expansion Drive Is Over Before It Begins**

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (RNS)—A "kick-off breakfast" for a \$2 million civic campaign to expand Baptist Memorial Hospital here was cancelled three days before it was to open the four-day fund drive. Cancellation came with the announcement that \$2,023,466 had already been pledged.

Divisions for the fund campaign, organized during January, had been at work before the official opening date. More pledges are expected. The expansion program calls for addition of four floors to the hospital building, new operating beds and permit many additional services.



THE NEW TWO-STORY building of Ebenezer Baptist Church, in the Miraflores suburb of Lima, Peru, contains auditorium and office on the street level, with classrooms, dining hall, and kitchen underneath.

## Dear James Letters Floor Baptist Paper

DALLAS (BP)—A Baptist editor here has an almost unprecedented problem—too much readership response to his weekly paper.

E. S. James, editor of the Baptist Standard, has been deluged with so many "letters to the editor" that he has been forced to change the paper's letter publication policy.

James estimates he receives more than 5,000 letters a year, an average of nearly 100 a week.

The flood of letters has prompted the editor to stop his eight-year practice of answering in some way every piece of mail that crosses his desk. Under the paper's new policy, only correspondence addressed to the "Letters to the editor department" will be considered for publication. The best will be published, the others will be destroyed. Regular correspondence will, of course, be answered through the mail.

From the huge volume of letters the Standard receives, only about 600 a year can be published. The editor answers nearly every subject in the full page devoted weekly to letters.

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## - Schedule of Workshops -

April 15—Parkway Church, Jackson  
April 16—Temple Church, Hattiesburg  
April 18—Harrisburg Church, Tupelo  
April 19—First Church, Greenwood





GROUND BREAKING FOR AN \$36,000 educational building took place January 13 at First Church, Rosedale. The two-story, brick-vener building will have 5,000 sq. ft. of floor space and will house all Sunday school and Training Union activities. The structure will also contain library, office space, pastor's study, and recreation-kitchen area. Top photo: Planning and Survey Committee, left to right: Clyde Aycock, chairman; Mrs. James Lane, Mrs. L. C. Brown, who turned the first spade of dirt. (Mrs. Brown has belonged to the church longer than any present member); Rev. Charles M. Conley, pastor; Rex Burrow, vice chairman; Mrs. Adlai McInnis, C. W. Doss, J. Y. Dawkins, and E. E. Holmes. (L. J. McBride of Jackson will superintend the building). Bottom photo: The group pictured attended the groundbreaking ceremony.

## MANY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL RECORDS BROKEN IN 1962

NASHVILLE—Vacation Bible School work continued to break records in 1962 when the total exceeded twenty-nine thousand schools for the first time in Southern Baptist history. The total number of schools for 1962 is 29,222, which represents an increase of 398 over the 1961 total, as reported by Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department. The enrollment for 1962 reached 3,176,559 for a gain of 87,838 over the 1961 enrollment.

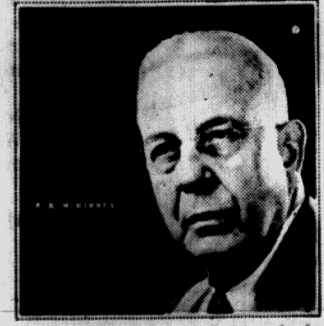
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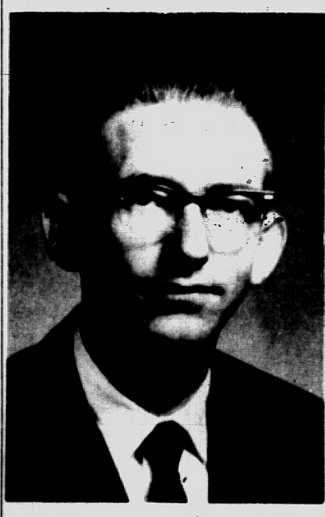
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Rev. Ivan Joe Hodge

### Ordained At First, Newton

Rev. Ivan Joe Hodge, Clarke College sophomore and interim pastor of the Half Acre Church, Myrtlewood, Alabama, was ordained to the full gospel ministry Sunday afternoon, January 20, at First Church, Newton. The ordination council which met at 2:00 P.M. to examine the Mobile candidate, was composed of Rev. Joe Triplett, Dr. W. L. Compere, Dr. John T. Carter, Dr. Charles Melton, Rev. Victor Vaughn, Dean Therman V. Bryant, Rev. Richard Ethridge, Rev. E. C. Snowden, Dr. R. J. Reynolds, Mr. W. A. McClendon and Rev. Earl Paderewski. The ordination service, held at 3:00 P.M. in the Newton First Church sanctuary was presided over by Rev. Joe Triplett, pastor. Mr. Triplett gave the charge to the candidate, Dean Therman V. Bryant presented a Cambridge Bible from the Newton Church; Dr. John T. Carter preached the ordination sermon; Dr. W. L. Compere, President, Clarke College, led the ordination prayer; and Rev. Richard Ethridge gave the benediction. The young minister was accompanied to Newton by his mother, Mrs. Lora Sims of Mobile. Personalities (and God is person) do not disclose themselves to casual inquiry, but to sympathy responsiveness. J. P. Allen, pastor, First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Virginia.

## Sunday Reports

### Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance Additions To The Church

FEBRUARY 3, 1963	
Bellevue (Lamar)	97
Belden	156 103
Biloxi, First	531 217 2
Biloxi, Emmanuel	245 133 3
Brookhaven, First	844 272 6
Halbert Heights	68 38 4
First	776 234 2
Byram Memorial	100 43
Calhoun City, 1st	312 144
Canton, Center Terrace	249 125
Carnation (Chickasaw)	78 39
Cartersville (Leb.)	120 95
Carthage, 1st	212 87
Clarksdale	426 120
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	562 180
Cleveland	
Calvary	168 101
Immanuel	236 113
Crystal Springs, 1st	340 216 3
Fellowship (Fike)	38 40
Fellowship (Choctaw)	63 25
Florence, 1st	284 100
Forest	322 145
Georgetown	112 45
Grenada, Emmanuel	281 104
Greenville:	
First	934 357
Main	783 313
Greenfield	86 44
Chinese	63 31
Parkview	253 95
Greenwood:	
Calvary	452 165
North	389 100 3
Gulfport:	
First	906 315 4
Grace Mem.	235 53
Northward Chapel	238 98
Gulf Gardens	238 98
Pass Road	165 133
Handboro	392 145 1
Hattiesburg:	
38th Avenue	226 130
First	622 237 3
Central	340 146
Temple	541 222 2
University	158 74
Main Street	897 385
Main	842 336
North Main	31 29
Wayside	24 22
Houston, 1st	425 218
Main	375 173
Mission	48 45
Indianola, Second	210 147
Jackson:	
Grandview	148 98 2
Raymond Road	98 77
First	1674 472 3
Robinson St.	300 191
Parkway	921 419 4
Alta Woods	862 383 2
Northwood Drive	340 146
Ridgecrest	806 229
Crestwood	344 170
McLaurin Heights	220 149
Midway	360 149
Highland	345 167
Hillcrest	588 204 1
Broadmoor	1194 400 1
West Jackson	421 180
McDowell Road	188 95
Oak Forest	422 173
Colonial Heights	222 96
Daniel Memorial	1102 460
Woodville Heights	115 67 3
Southside	268 161 7
Van Winkle	625 238
Calvary	1588 608 8
Main	1520 566
Mission	68 42
Kosciusko, Parkway	158 74
Laurel:	
West Laurel	342 136
Second Avenue	421 146
First	600 191
Highland	495 173 2
Plainway	162 102
Wildwood	346 177
Liberty	266 92
Long Beach, 1st	369 104
Main	363 101
DeLisle	3 3
Ludlow	80 41
Lyon	162 67
Roundaway Mission	11 26
McComb:	
South	186 41
Central	226 87 2
Navilla	193 102
Locust St.	195 81
Meridian:	
Fellowship	85 52
Hickory Grove Chapel	12 14
Highland	675 220 6
Oakland Heights	287 117 4
Fifteenth Avenue	634 278
Calvary	488 188
Main	411 148 3
Pewell Survey Mission	28 24 3
Pine Springs Mission	13 9
Westwood	90 90
Poplar Springs Drive	597 205
Midway	139 135
State Boulevard	422 171
Arkadelphia	120 69
South Side	399 148
Eighth Avenue	209 99 2
Natchez:	
Parkway	319 158
First	551 189 1
Olive Branch	178 68
Pascagoula:	
Unity	201 77
Brady Mission	10 10
Eastlawn	359 124 3
Main	366 124
Mission	14 14
First	624 241 9
Main	613 241
Gulfcoast Nursing H.	11 11
Pearl	349 124
Pearson	155 53
Petal:	
Petal-Harvey	408 134
Main	383 117
Harvey	25 17
Temple	164 78
Crestview	112 74
Philadelphia, N. Calvary	105 91
Picayune, 1st	563 180
Main	531 180
Mission	32 32
Pleasant Home (Jones)	107 91
Pontotoc, 1st	41 50
Pokahontas	74 50
Prospect (Perry)	30 13
Quinnan, 1st	348 106
Ripley, 1st	300 109
Rosedale, 1st	162 93 4
Bath	47 32
Sardis (Coplak)	104 34
Springfield (Scott)	104 34
Star	127 93
Starkville, 1st	875 399 9
Stonewall	176 73
Tupelo:	
West Jackson St.	140 71 1
Calvary	496 212
First	453 186
Harrisburg	653 229 10
East Tupelo	224 93
Tutwiler, 1st	136 61
Union (Pearl R.)	211 91 2
Union, 1st	306 118
Mission	64 46
Vicksburg, Trinity	172 71
West Point, 1st	541 184
JANUARY 27, 1963	
Aberdeen, 1st	351 129
Amory, 1st	463 145
Belden	165 93 2
Bruce, 1st	299 100
Bruce Mission	42 21
Calhoun City, 1st	51 55
Collins	193 124 2
Columbus, 1st	322 129
Corinth, 1st	784 200
Handsboro	376 164
Laurel, Plainway	162 124
Laurel, W. Laurel	370 133
New Albany, 1st	605 186
Ripley, 1st	302 119
Spring Creek (Neshoba)	66 38
Tupelo:	
Calvary	468 196
First	428 111
Tutwiler, 1st	139 64
Vicksburg, Trinity	178 84
Water Valley, Second	72 63
Wheeler Grove (Alcorn)	75 63 1

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON—

# Helpers In Jesus' Ministry

By Clifton J. Allen  
Mark 6

Jesus spent most of his public ministry in the region of Galilee. He went on repeated



tours through the country, healing and teaching and preaching. In the lesson before us we have an instance of Jesus sending out the disciples, two by two, equipping them with special power to do mighty works in his name. The mounting popularity of Jesus with the crowds and the mounting opposition of the religious leaders, together with Herod's animosity, caused Jesus to withdraw into more solitary places for the training of his disciples. They were learning the lessons needed for their mission of service in the future.

The need for Christian workers was never more acute than now. Churches need workers. The whole social order is a field calling for workers—workers with a desire to serve, workers with skill and strength and courage, workers with faith ready for daring ventures in serving humanity for the sake of Christ.

### The Lesson Explained THE MISSION OF THE TWELVE (vv. 7-13)

Doubtless the reason for sending the disciples two by two was practical; each would encourage the other, and the two together could assess opportunities and difficulties. According to Matthew (10:1, 7), Jesus charged the disciples to cast out unclean spirits, to heal sickness, and to preach. They were given authority and power for their assignment. Jesus charged them not to take extensive provisions for material needs; they were to depend rather upon the hospitality of the persons to whom they would minister. And yet they were to be prepared for rejection as well as acceptance. When they were rejected, they were to shake the dust from their feet as a symbol of the judgment of God resting upon those who refused to accept his message.

Christians must leave their situation of comfort and relaxation and go out into the midst of the crowds and throngs enveloped in spiritual ignorance and preoccupation with the world, out to persons caught in the meshes of moral depravity and wickedness, and out to those who suffer from sickness or loneliness or cruel oppression or greedy exploitation or bewildering insecurity. Jesus would say, go where the need is greatest, where the work is hard, where life is cheap, where sin reigns, and rescue the perishing for the kingdom of God. Christ's helpers must be willing to give themselves with tireless zeal.

### FEEDING THE FIVE THOUSAND (vv. 34-42)

Jesus withdrew with the disciples across the Sea of Galilee to a more solitary place on the northeast side. But the crowds observed the boat and followed after them, walking around the northern end of the sea. Failing to escape the multitudes, and having compassion on them because of their plight like sheep without a shepherd, he taught them many things. Jesus did not stop there. He had compassion on the crowds because of their lack of food; the place was desert, and no food was available. His disciples were aware of the situation and were shocked when Jesus said, "Give ye them to eat." Five loaves and two fishes were the extent of the food that could be marshaled. How utterly inadequate for such a crowd! But Jesus was adequate! He took the loaves and fishes, offered thanks to the God of heaven for them, and then began to break them into pieces for distribution among the hungry multitudes. The disciples distributed the food—they were instruments of Jesus' compassion—and all ate and were filled.

Human need calls for Christian workers. How easily we become hardened to the fact of human need and therefore indifferent to it! There are hungry people, and sick people, and handicapped people, and tortured people—by the uncounted millions. There are millions of refugees from war and famine. In many countries of the world there are multitudes who have never known comfort or freedom or security. The number of persons in spiritual bondage and death—bound by superstition and idolatry, condemned by sin, without God and without hope—can only be counted in

hundreds of millions. We are sinfully blind not to see them. The plight of our fellow human beings calls for helpers in every field of service—doctors, teachers, counselors, preachers, nurses, workers in prisons, workers in churches, workers in missions, workers in social fields, workers in slums, workers in luxury clubs, workers in home and state—workers wherever persons need the help of human kindness or the truth and grace of Jesus Christ.

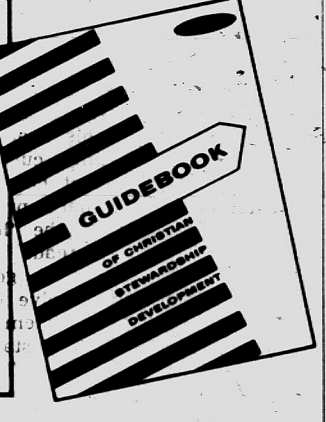
Christian work calls for faith, courage, and sacrifice. — The work to which Christ calls, is not a dream adventure of easy living and glamorous achievement. The mission

given by Christ may call for risking one's life in fighting the enemies of truth and justice. Much more likely, this mission will involve loneliness or laboring without prospect of recognition or just doing things that do not seem to have much importance in Christ's world plan. But all that one does counts for eternity, if done for the sake of Christ. By faith we have confidence in the power of the gospel and the adequacy of Christ. By courage we endure hardship and resist evil. By sacrifice we dare to give ourselves to help persons in need, to win the lost, to show kindness to the outcasts from decent society, and to make Christ known around the world.

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## Biblical Scholarship Claimed Trailing Archeological Finds

NEW YORK (RNS) — Biblical scholarship "has not begun to catch up" with recent archeological and historical discoveries, according to Dr. William Foxwell Albright, professor emeritus of Semitic languages at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Albright said in an interview at the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis here that major biblical finds such as the Dead Sea Scrolls in 1946 and '47 and the Gnostic texts discovered earlier in Egypt have put Bible scholars "twenty-five or fifty years behind the times" in updating modern Bible translations. The Society held its annual meeting at Union Theological Seminary with a record attendance of some 400. It comprises Protestant, Catholic and Jewish scholars, most of whom are professors in seminaries, colleges and universities in the U. S. and Canada.

Dr. Albright, co-editor with Dr. David Noel Freedman of the Doubleday-Anchor Paperback Bible Commentary, and other leaders at change of biblical information among Protestants, Catholics and Jews in recent years. But none of those questioned gave unqualified endorsement to eventual publication of a "common Bible" which could be used by the various religious faiths.

"No human being can keep up with the new discoveries," Dr. Albright observed in reply to a query on new texts and scrolls which have come to light in the Near East in recent years. "The average American scholar is a busy teacher. It is just impossible."

Ready in September

Describing the paperback project, he said he expected the first five commentaries, done by outstanding men in the various religious traditions, to be off the presses next September. They embody original research and background from Bible lands which have given new meaning to very ancient books: Genesis, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Jeremiah and Job.

Dr. Albright noted that "you cannot separate" the Bible from ancient culture. He criticized Protestant Bible scholars who, substituting an ontological for an historical approach to their material, "want to de-mythologize the Bible and remove its historical foundations."

He warned the anti-historical approach is "gaining ground with tremendous speed in this country" by scholars taking their critical ideas from two German university professors,

Rudolph Bultmann of the University of Marburg and Gerhard von Rad of the University of Heidelberg.

### Names Worker

WICHITA, Kan.—Ray Conner of Fayetteville, Ark., a native Kansan, has accepted the post of Sunday School Secretary for the Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists, it was announced by Dr. N. J. Westmoreland, State Executive Secretary-Treasurer. Conner will assume his new duties March 1.

The genius of Christianity is that we are not left to project our own images of God onto the cosmic screen. We find in Christianity that God was incarnate in Jesus Christ.—Dr. Ralph Overman, chairman, Special Training Division, Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. "A Scientist's Faith" in February BAPTIST STUDENT.

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BILLY GORDON ROATEN has been licensed to the gospel ministry by First Church, Tupelo. He gets his A.B. Degree from the University of Mississippi this June and plans to enter Southwestern Seminary in the fall.

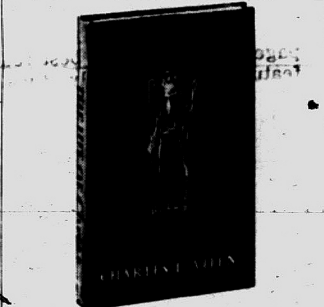
## Pioneer Foreign Missionary Dies

Mrs. J. W. McCollum, 94, one of Southern Baptists' first four missionaries to serve in Japan, died January 20 in Newport, Ark. She was buried January 24 in Marion, Ala. In November, 1889, Mrs. McCollum, then a 20-year-old bride of a few months, her husband, and another missionary couple landed in Yokohama to begin Southern Baptist mission work in Japan. The Collums served in Japan for 20 years before Mr. McCollum's health caused them to return to the States. He died in 1910.

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## Graham Film Representative Is Named for State

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The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association has made a number of outstanding Christian films, the newest of which are shown only by a representative of the Association. All of this is done with an evangelistic emphasis. The only cost to the church is a free will offering taken after the film is shown.

Mr. Paul A. Stuckey of Arlington, Texas, is the new representative for this area. He formerly lived in Arkansas, and is a graduate of Ouachita College.

Outstanding films which are available for showing by the representative include Shadow of the Boomerang, a dramatic story of the power of the gospel in Australia; Touch of Brass, a dramatic Christian story from England; and Jerusalem, a full color film of the Holy City and the Holy Land.

These films were made with an evangelistic purpose, and when they all carry the emphasis of surrender to Christ as Saviour, or redemption to Him on the part of those who are already saved. An invitation is given at the close of each program.

Mr. Stuckey announces that he is now accepting dates for showing of the films in Mississippi, and invites all pastors interested to write immediately to Billy Graham Film Association, 2115 Cloverdale, Arlington, Texas.

## SHIFALO MEM. CALLS PASTOR

Shifalo Memorial Church near Bay St. Louis has a new pastor, Rev. Billy Joe Harrison.

Rev. Harrison, a student at New Orleans Seminary, succeeds Rev. Thomas R. Lee, who resigned as pastor in early December, 1962, to accept a mission pastorate in Montgomery, Alabama. The mission is sponsored by the Trinity Church of Montgomery.

## DEVOTIONAL—

### A Nation Of Destiny

By Rev. Norman S. Deaton, Pastor  
Lowrey Memorial, Blue Mountain

"I will bless thee . . . and thou shalt be a blessing . . . and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land; but if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." (Gen. 12:3; Isa. 1:10-20) These two passages sum up God's purposes and



dealings with Israel. She was a nation of divinely-appointed destiny. She would be blessed of God, so that she might be a missionary nation, to point the way to the one true God and prepare the way for the Messiah. For missions has always been the heart beat of God's love for a lost world. But Israel failed to recognize that in God's order of things, great privilege and blessing always mean similar responsibility. She thought she had been chosen of God because of some virtue in herself. So she basked in her blessings, luxuriated in her self-righteous disdain of other nations, flagrantly refused her missionary task, and forfeited her future. God's inevitable judgement fell on the nation that rejected its divine destiny.

It is my conviction that America too is a nation of destiny. Is it not the providence of God that has led our nation from a scattered handful of colonists to world leadership in the military, political, economic, and spiritual realms? While half of the world go to bed hungry every night and sleep on a dirt floor, the average American possesses 50 1/2 times as much wealth and consumer goods as the average person in the rest of the world! While far more than half of the world's people have never heard the Gospel at all, nearly ninety per cent of the world's preachers and Christian workers labor among the six per cent of the world's population who live in the United States. Can we imagine that God has blessed us with all this just so we may squander it on ourselves?

Think about these facts: No other nation in history has ever had so many churches and Christians, nor so many fine Christian colleges and seminaries, built up by the sacrifice of many over the years. No nation has ever had so many youth in its churches as potential recruits for missions, or such fabulous wealth with which to send them. Never before have such rapid transportation and technical equipment been available to missionaries. Journeys which took Paul months can be covered by jet in minutes. Peter preached to several thousand at Pentecost, but Billy Graham speaks to millions on several continents each week by television and radio. If the Japan Baptist New Life Movement results in sweeping spiritual awakening in the Far East next month, headlines will tell the story all over the world, a thing unimaginable in Paul's day. To these potential resources for world evangelization, add the spiritual hunger of millions who have left the emptiness of their traditional religions in search of something that can really satisfy the deepest longings of the human heart, needs that only Christ can meet.

May it not be that God is speaking—nay, shouting—to us? The handwriting on the wall of our civilization says, "This is your hour! Arise and go!" Will we, in the face of these conditions, continue to give \$1.73 per Mississippi Baptist per year, and a mere trickle of our youth, to foreign missions? Must we weep over us, "America—America . . . how oft would I have gathered thee . . . but thou wouldst not!" Will we bask in our wealth, forfeit our destiny, and be obliterated by the God who is marching on? Will we as a nation rise to God's challenge? The choice is yours!

It is easier to appear religious in a revival meeting or among worshippers than at a mule trading—the difference is not in appearance. — C. Earl Cooper



TRINITY CHURCH, Biloxi, Rev. O. Oglesby, pastor, dedicated the new sanctuary shown above on Sunday, January 27. Started about a year ago, it was financed through a \$40,000 bond issue of the church and built by the men of the congregation. (Photo by McVadon's)

## Trinity, Biloxi, Dedicates New Sanctuary

Approximately 100 persons attended open house on Sunday afternoon, January 27, at Trinity Church, Biloxi, on the occasion of the dedication of a new sanctuary.

The dedication took place at the morning worship hour, with the pastor, Rev. O. Oglesbee, and the congregation responsively, giving the vows of dedication.

Rev. Oglesbee announced that the public address system had been purchased with monetary gifts to a fund established in memory of Manning Whiddon, a deacon of the church who died during its construction. The Whiddon family also gave the choir railing and a new piano for the new sanctuary.

Bringing the dedicatory sermon was Dr. Chester L. Quarles Jackson, Executive Secretary, State Baptist Convention, Long Beach, associational missionary, talked on the beginnings of the church. Stegall, one of about 50 charter members, reviewed the milestones of the church in the ten years of its organization.

Rev. Anderson also preached the message in the evening worship service.

The new sanctuary will seat approximately 420 persons and is a contemporary design utilizing exposed laminated wood arches to support the high ceiling. They are stained white to blend with the off-white interior walls.

Exterior of the church is red brick with a facade featuring pastel plastic panels above the entrance.

A portion of the educational building has been used as the sanctuary. The church was begun as a mission Sunday school by First Baptist Church of Biloxi and was organized as a church on July 20, 1952. Rev. Hoffman Harris became its first pastor and remained until 1956. Rev. Clarence Cutrell was pastor from 1956 until late in 1959. Next month, Rev. Oglesbee will observe his third anniversary as the minister.

## Pastor Receives Warm Welcome In Chilly Weather

The men of Ebenezer Church community in 15 degree weather helped unload their pastor's furniture as he moved on the field Jan. 23.

The pastor, Rev. Darwin Hall, said that was one of the chilliest receptions he had ever received, with as much warmhearted effort!

He was called as Ebenezer's pastor in September, but since his son, Keith Hall, is a senior in high school, he lived in Kosciusko until the semester was over.

Mr. Hall left New Salem Church in the Attala Association to come to Ebenezer Church in Jeff Davis County.

The pastor has two children, Keith and Pattie.

It has a present membership of 449 and owns land and buildings valued in excess of \$200,000, including a parsonage on Pine Grove avenue.

## Grandview Pastor Begins 4th. Year

Sunday, January 20, marked the beginning of the fourth year for Rev. Gordon Shamburger, pastor of the Grandview Church, 900 South Pearson Road in Jackson.

Grandview began as a mission in the fall of 1959. Since its beginning there have been 115 professions of faith, 229 by letter, 12 young people have answered the call to Christian service, and the second phases of a long range building program has been completed. The grounds, building, and equipment are valued at \$110,000.

## Yale Divinity School Names Dean

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (EP)—Dr. Robert Clyde Johnson, professor of systematic theology at Pittsburgh (Pa.) Theological Seminary, has been named Dean of Yale Divinity school here.

The Presbyterian minister, who has lectured and written extensively on theology, succeeds Dr. Liston Pope who resigned in 1961. Dr. Pope is now devoting full time to teaching and writing as Gilbert L. Stark professor of social ethics at Yale.

## To Enter Full-Time Christian Service

Shown above are two young people of Collins Church both of whom on December 9, 1962, dedicated their lives to full-time Christian service, Jack Duckworth as a minister and Linda Sue Cauthen as a missionary.

Linda Sue is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Cauthen and Jack is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duckworth, all of Collins.

Both are active in activities at Collins Baptist Church and Collins High School, where Linda Sue is a senior and Jack a junior.

Linda Sue has been pianist at her church for four years. She is also president of her Sunday School Class and Group Captain in Training Union.

Jack was named an All-Star Football Player in the Apache Conference and won honorable mention as a State All-Star Player.

Jack preached his first sermon Wednesday night, January 30, at prayer meeting at Collins Church.

## Lutherans Count Student Noses

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (EP) rollment in Lutheran seminaries, colleges and high schools increased by 8.6 per cent last year for a total of 78,130, according to a report made here at the annual meeting of the National Lutheran Educational Conference.

Seminary enrollment, however, declined, creating what Dr. Gould Wickey, the conference's executive director called a "serious situation." Total registration in 19 seminaries decreased from 4,248 in 1961 to 4,033 in 1962, and the number of students in the regular theological courses dropped from 3,180 to 3,137.

## Meadowood Mission Gives To Foreign Missions

Meadowood Mission, sponsored by First Church, Amory, has made considerable progress in its first three months. They gave \$74.29 in Lottie Moon gifts.

This mission began September 30, 1962, with peaching service at 9:30 A.M. followed by Sunday school at 10:30. Sunday school began with departments and classes as follows: Nursery; Beginner; Primary; Junior department class for boys and class for girls; Intermediate department class for boys and one for girls; Married Young People's department with two classes; Adult department, two classes for men and two for women. There were 40 present the first Sunday. In three months the Sunday school enrollment reached 114. The high attendance was 89.

The Training Union was organized in November. The enrollment is 74 with a high attendance of 50.

The mission participated in the Forward Program of Church Finance with First Church. The budget goal was \$120.00 per week. On Pledge Sunday the pledges amounted to \$130.50. All over the budget is going into a building fund.

The mid-week service consists of Sunday school officers and teachers meeting at 6:30 and prayer meeting at 7:30. A Christmas party was held. The gifts of \$74.29 was given to foreign missions.

The mission property consists of approximately four acres of land and two houses. It was purchased for \$11,000.00 by First Church and is located in east Amory.

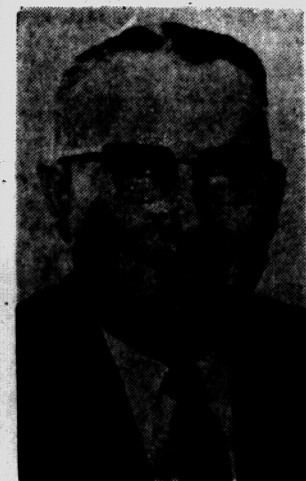
John E. Johnson is Sunday School Superintendent. Russell Danner is Training Union Director. Charles Sanderson is Music Director, and Miss Nita Randle is pianist. Rev. Joseph W. Oliver, Supt., Monroe County Missions, is serving as pastor. Rev. Dan Morton is pastor of First Church, Amory.

## Stone Resigns

OKLAHOMA CITY — Louis G. Stone, 31, resigns his post as social worker for Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma's Department of Child Care effective February 14. He has held the position since 1957.



THESE BLUE MOUNTAIN College Sports enthusiasts look admiringly at the new \$210,000.00 Physical Education Building, soon to be in use and dedicated at a date to be announced by Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, President of the College. The BMC Sports participants are, left to right: Judy Bledsoe, Bartlett, Tennessee; Jeanie Jones, Joiner, Arkansas; Miss Johnnie Armstrong, Director of Physical Education and supervisor of the campus program of team sports; and Toni Lee Parker, Laurel.



HON. RALPH H. HERRIN of Collins, will be the guest speaker Feb. 10 at First Church, Amite, La., according to Rev. Arnold Richardson, pastor. Mr. Herrin, an outstanding Baptist Layman from Covington County, is a deacon in Salem Church, associate supt. of the Young People's Department, and serving his 14th year as president of the Covington County Brotherhood. Rev. Richardson is his former pastor, having served the Salem Church before going to Amite, La. (Mr. Herrin preached on Men's Day at First Church, Long Beach, Rev. J. W. Brister, pastor.)

## 82 Graduate At Southern Seminary

LOUISVILLE (BP)—Eighteen states and two foreign countries were represented among the 82 graduates of Southern Seminary here at mid-year commencement. Five students received the Doctor of Theology degree and one student the Doctor of Religious Education degree.

Over half the graduates received Bachelor of Divinity degrees from the School of Theology. Thirteen graduates came from the School of Religious Education and 14 from the School of Church Music.

Brig. Gen. Robert P. Taylor, Chief of U. S. Air Force Chaplains, and a Southern Baptist, delivered the commencement address.

## Louisville Hosts National Society

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (BP)—The American Society for Christian Social Ethics held its fourth annual meeting at Southern Seminary, Louisville. Henlee H. Barnett, Christian ethics professor at the seminary and a director of the society, was host to 50 members of the group. Paul Ramsey of Princeton University, N. J., is the president.

## Cherry Street Church Dedicates New Chapel

Cherry Street Church, Clarksdale, dedicated their new sanctuary (a residence remodeled as a church auditorium) on Sunday, January 27.

Builders were employed under the direction of an architect. The roof of the dwelling was bridged and all inside partitions were removed, with no supporting posts needed. White celotex was installed overhead and sun-tan mahogany paneling on the walls. The vinyl floor is an imitation of gold-leaf oak parquet.

The church observed Baptist Men's Day at the same service with the dedication ceremony of the new chapel. Speakers on the morning program were H. E. Johnson, president of the trustees; Winfred Harper, Sunday school superintendent; William Johns, a deacon and Sunday school teacher; Joe L. Smith, training union director; A. H. Campbell, chairman of deacons; Chester F. Smith, a committeeman; and Barney E. Barron, chairman of the finance committee. The speakers reviewed the progress of the church since its organization as one of the 30,000 Movement in November, 1961, outlined plans for the future, and challenged other members to rededicate themselves to the work of the church.

The pastor, Rev. W. L. Marsh, spoke on "Boasting in the Lord," from Psalm 34.2.

## Cranford Marries

WASHINGTON (BP)—Clarence W. Cranford, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., recently married Miss Dorothy Schultz, a public school teacher in the District of Columbia. Cranford is a former president of the American Baptist Convention and a former chairman of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. He is a popular speaker at Southern Baptist assemblies and special occasions.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.



SYLVIA HALL, right, Director of the Department of Speech, Blue Mountain College, and Toni Lee Parker, Laurel, student Speech assistant, left, are pictured with three members of a Speech Correction class, all children of the same family, living in the local community. These children have made great progress in overcoming their speech difficulties, since they enrolled in the special class. Miss Hall, in addition to her position as Director of the BMC Speech Department, serves Lowrey Memorial Church as its Training Union Director and Superintendent of the Intermediate Sunday School Department.

## Seminary Gets Additional Accreditation

MILL VALLEY, Cal. — Additional accreditation in the field of Religious Education has been received by Golden Gate Seminary. It was pointed out today by Dr. Harold K. Graves, president.

Recognition has been awarded upon application by the Strawberry Point Institute from the American Association of School of Religious Education. The accreditation is in addition to that received by the division of Religious Education when the entire program of the school was accredited December 14, 1961, by the American Association of Theological Schools.

President Graves, stated that the recognition is an additional emphasis on the quality of the program of the Religious Education Division.

Those who complain about the way the ball bounces are often the ones who dropped it.



Rev. Bryan R. Knight

## Old Cumberland Pastor Ordained

Rev. Bryan R. Knight was ordained to the gospel ministry by the Mt. Gilead Church, Lauderdale Association, December 30, 1962.

Rev. J. W. Coker, pastor of East Side Church, Pascagoula, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. Joe Ratcliff, Lauderdale

## Highland Heights Enters \$800,000 Education Building

Members of Highland Heights Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, entered their new \$800,000, 75,042 square foot educational building, Sunday, January 20. This is the largest known educational facility under one roof in Memphis. Dr. Slater A. Murphy has been the pastor 20 years. He attended Clarke College and Mississippi College and was formerly pastor in this state.

The building is contemporary in design, and will have space and facilities for more than 2,500 people. It is three story and is serviced by two self-operated elevators.

The chapel was designed for use in weddings, special observances that do not require the spaciousness of the main sanctuary, and for funerals with a family room adjacent.

A unique feature in the nursery, beginner and primary departments are observation booths where prospective workers and parents can observe the children without being seen.

The multi-purpose dining room will be used for banquets, recreation, and also has a stage for religious drama presentations.

The landscaped Inner Court has a fountain, and a variety of plant material.

## New Church

Bethel Church, Scott County, was organized November 1. It is located near Forest on Highway 21.

They contributed \$6.00 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, reports Mrs. Jeanette Meeks, Route 2, Forest.

dale County Missionary, brought the charge to the church. Rev. Ray Hill, pastor of Mt. Gilead, brought the charge to the candidate and also presented the Bible. Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of Hebron Church, Lauderdale County, led in ordination prayer.

Rev. Knight is pastor of Old Cumberland Church, Webster County. He is a senior at Mississippi College and served in the western states last summer as a summer missionary from Mississippi College. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Knight of Rt. 6, Meridian.